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Town of Raymond

1997 Annual Report



*Raymond High School
"Rams"
1996-1997 Varsity Soccer
State Champions*

1997 Raymond Boys Class M Soccer Champions

FRONT ROW: Therren Welch, Eric Giberson, Tim Millete, Shawn Ray, Jeremy Carney, Nate Patterson, Mike Cantelli

SECOND ROW: Brendan Whalen (manager), Corey Lang, Keith Frechette, Ian Dumas, Tim Cripe, Mike Saulnier, Jeff Lawrence, Ryan LaBranch

THIRD ROW: Tim Brusso (Coach), Chad Nadeau, Brad Roy, Steve Wallis, Joe LaFond, Christian Wallis, Matt Chouinard, Andrew Papamichael, Fred Jewell, Nathan Call, Charlie Collins (Coach)

1997 Raymond Girls Class M Cheerleading Champions

BACK ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT): Erin Toto, Katie Rivera, Jenn Surette, Jill Burton, Sarah Kalipinski, Tracy Tailor, Manager Emily Deyermund

SECOND ROW: April Rives, Krystal Mercogliano, Jill MacDonald, Julie Migneault, Wendy Walsh

THIRD ROW: Jen Culley, Jessie Rheaume

FOURTH ROW: Melissa Duda, Chrissy Jesmer, Jolene Foor

Coach Brazeau

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Town Officers

MODERATOR

Andrew J. Harmon

TAX COLLECTOR/TOWN CLERK

Doris M. Gagnon

Norma Lovejoy, Deputy

TREASURER

Catherine Grant

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Harold R. Wood, Jr. - Chairman

Neal F. Welch - Vice Chairman

June M. Hartford

Richard S. Ladd

Norman E. Weldy, Jr.

TOWN MANAGER

Edward Wojnowski

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

Peter Buckingham - Chairman

Richard W. Ladd - Vice Chairman

Harold R. Wood - Selectmen's Representative

Sandra Ellis - School Board Representative

David Hoelzel, Jr.

Gloria E. Carney

Daniel Olivier

Kathleen Hoelzel

PLANNING BOARD

Diane E. White - Chairman

Carolynn Booth - Vice Chairman

June Hartford - Selectmen's Representative

Stephen E. Sloan

Kenneth Semple

Valerie Picco

Stephen Keith

Gretchen Gott-Sellars - Alternate

Michael Quintal, Alternate

Glenn Caron, Alternate

Roland Boone, Alternate

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Barbara H. Beardsley - Chairman

Paula Devlin-Wood

Karen Currier

LIBRARIAN

Charlene M. Brox

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Janis Kent - Chairman

Barbara Haglind

Norman E. Weldy, Jr. - Selectmen's Representative

Assunta Ege

John T. Powers

Charles White

SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING

Kathleen McDonald - Chairman

Kathleen Chamberlain

Jane Anzalone

Maureen Lundergan

Joy Paquin

John Buckley

Marilyn Elliott

RECREATION ADVISORY

Dennis LaBranche - Chairman

Wayne Welch

Neal F. Welch - Selectmen's Representative

Daniel Chouinard - School Board Representative

Judith Woods Sloan

Robert LaFond

Loukas Papamichael

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Robert Forsing

Marilyn Semple

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Brenda Dolan

Greg Brox

John S. Barnes, Jr.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Wayne Welch - Chairman

Gary Graham

Emery Landis

Richard Mailhot, Sr. - Advisor

K. LaVaughn Wikstrom - Advisor

CABLE COMMITTEE

Stephen Keith

Richard S. Ladd - Selectmen's Representative

Dan Chouinard - School Board Representative

Sylvia Kimball

David Dantos

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Andrew Harmon - Chairman
Brenda Dolan - Vice Chairman
V. Raoul Rioux
Paul McCoy
Norman Weldy
Valerie Picco - Alternate
Robert Gonser - Alternate

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Caroline Severance - Chairman
Neal Welch - Selectmen's Representative
Ramona Stevens
Assunta Ege
Emery Landis
Elaine Harmon

CHIEF OF POLICE

Steven Agrafiotis

HEAD DISPATCHER

Pauline Gordon

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Scott Payne

COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP

Valerie Picco - Chairman
Kim Binette - Vice Chairman
Stephen Keith
Thomas L. Krantz
Gloria Brown

SOUTHERN N. H. PLANNING

Harold R. Wood, Jr. - Selectmen's Representative
Diane E. White - Planning Board Representative

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Dennis McCarthy

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Richard C. Bates

FIRE CHIEF

Kevin Pratt

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Richard J. Mailhot, Sr.

BOAT AGENT

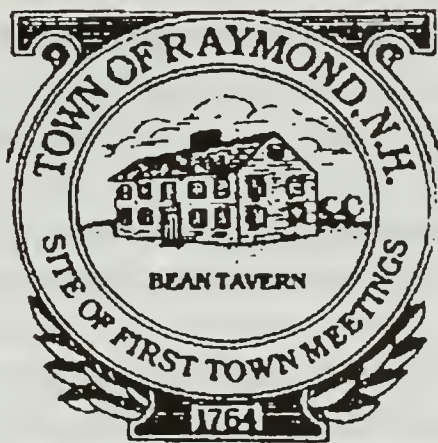
Penny Beaumont - Mountain Road Trading Post



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Executive Reports



Board of Selectmen

To the Citizens of Raymond:

The past year has been one of change and adjustment for the Board, but also one in which work has proceeded toward longstanding goals, many of which are nearing realization.

With the resignation of Police Chief James Murphy, the Board was fortunate to have found Lieutenant David Salois both willing and extremely capable of filling the void until, in July, Chief Agrafiotis was hired. The Police Department's too high turnover of officers is a major concern for the Board - as it should be for all of Raymond's residents - and we are beginning to address the issue by devising ways to make employment with the Department more attractive.

Town Manager Martha Roy also resigned her position after eight years, and new Town Manager Edward Wojnowski began work in October. Although there always are adjustments to be made when the management structure changes, we look forward to a long and successful working relationship with Ed. We're confident in his management skills and pleased with the personal stake he already has adopted toward improving Raymond's government.

The goals that the Board had adopted during prior years and that have been the focus of our efforts, are moving ever closer to realization:

- The final phase of the Community Development Block Grant Downtown Revitalization Program was completed this year.
- Preliminary work for the \$700,000.00 CDBG Jedediah Brown renovation Project is completed and work is scheduled to begin on actual construction of a new Rockingham Community Action Program office, with additional renovation of an existing building to create four elderly housing units.
- Efforts to attract and support economic development continue with planning by the Community Development Finance Authority possibly to develop property off of Exit 4 into a light industrial park.
- Resurveying of the Green Hills subdivision is nearing completion, allowing property owners in the area to market their homes and clarify their holdings.
- Municipal government offices are making every effort to become more responsive to the needs and opinions of Raymond's residents and more open in the conduct of its day to day business. We are helped in this by the results of a recently tabulated Community Goals Survey.

All considered, we have had a productive year. We think that the changes made are good ones that will help Raymond more confidently enter into the 21st century, and we thank all of the employees, volunteers, and residents that have made our progress possible.

*Respectfully submitted,
Harold R. Wood, Chairman
Raymond Board of Selectmen*

Town Manager

To the Citizens of Raymond:

As I write this, I have completed four months as your Town Manager and, to say the least, it has been busy, fast moving, hectic, frustrating, and exciting. Little did I know at the beginning of 1997 that I would experience so much change. I can say that my experience so far in Raymond leads me to believe that my work is cut out for me, and that there is significant opportunity for all of us, working together, to accomplish all of our goals.

First, I am extremely pleased to have the opportunity to work for this community. Many individuals in state government, as well as town administrators and managers and residents of the community, have spoken to me about the possibilities that exist for growth and development. However, this needs to be tempered with a balanced, sound residential growth plan, the need to attract employment opportunities that provide good paying jobs, and stabilization of the tax rate.

Second, I continue to look forward to working with all department heads in setting goals for work projects, capital improvements and infrastructure repairs for the years ahead. Without a doubt, this community has brought together some very capable and progressive individuals to oversee various departments and you are to be commended for your selections. My responsibility, as I see it, is to provide the resources to these individuals to accomplish yearly goals and to plan for the future.

Third, within the town offices, I have undertaken a reorganization that has reduced the total number of staff, with a goal of responding to your requests and inquiries in a more timely and effective manner. There are some growing pains at this time as we sort through the general responsibilities, but I am confident that, in the coming months, you will see a marked change in the results of your visits.

I would like to encourage you to pass on to me your ideas and comments as to the general direction of this community, problems you have experienced with town government, or your perspective as to how to make Raymond a more desirable community. I have an open door policy -- I will make time to listen to your ideas.

This is your community. Together we can make Raymond a great place to live, to raise and educate children, and to provide economic opportunity for all. I encourage you to participate in the meetings held by the various boards and committees of the town. Your input to the Master Plan updates or to the development of a Capital Improvements Plan, or your work with the Selectmen or boards and committees in setting the agenda for our future, are vitally important. Your participation will assist in development of the future vision and in the establishment of goals by which we will develop future budgets, guide residential and economic growth and, more importantly, continue to make Raymond a desirable community in which to live.

*Respectfully submitted,
Edward J. Wojnowski
Town Manager*

1997 General Fund Income

INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS:

Town Officers' Expense	1,590.28	
Elections & Registration	25.00	
Police Department		
Fines/Restitution	2,269.85	
Incident Reports	2,915.00	
Outside Duty	60,333.67	
Pistol Permits	330.00	
Witness Fees	2,491.26	
Miscellaneous	20.00	68,359.78
Dispatch		4,179.00
Fire Department		1,579.24
Planning Board		15,329.25
Board of Adjustment		1,760.00
Recycling Proceeds		7,149.73
Landfill Disposal Fees		2,016.08
Highway Department/Public Works		15.38
Recreation Department		55,500.64
Cemetery Service Fees		7,075.00
		164,579.38

LICENSES & PERMITS:

Town Clerk Fees	858,387.46	
Amusement Device Permits	3,200.00	
Boat Registration Fees	2,735.88	
Building Permit Fees	19,704.65	
Business Fees	10.00	
Cable Franchise Fee	24,219.33	
Driveway Permits	780.00	
Junk Yard Permits	70.00	
Oil Burner Permits	75.00	909,182.32

REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS:

Employee Insurance Reimb.	7,258.19	
Water Dept. Payroll Expense	56,085.23	
Telephone Overcharge Reimbursement	8,058.47	
Town Report Reimbursement	2,639.00	
Gasoline Expense Reimbursement	528.99	
Highway Dept. Refunds	295.46	
TOE Expense Reimbursement	117.96	
Comp Fund Payroll Reimbursement	33.74	
Police Department Exp. Reimbursement	33.00	75,050.04

RECEIPTS PAID DIRECTLY OUT:

Welfare Reimbursements	2,828.93	
Insurance Group Dividend / Return of Contrib.	13,818.35	
CDBG Expense Reimbursement	200.00	
Due to Others	443.00	
Highway Dept. Engineering Fees	40.00	
Walmart Street Light Contribution	10,000.00	27,330.28

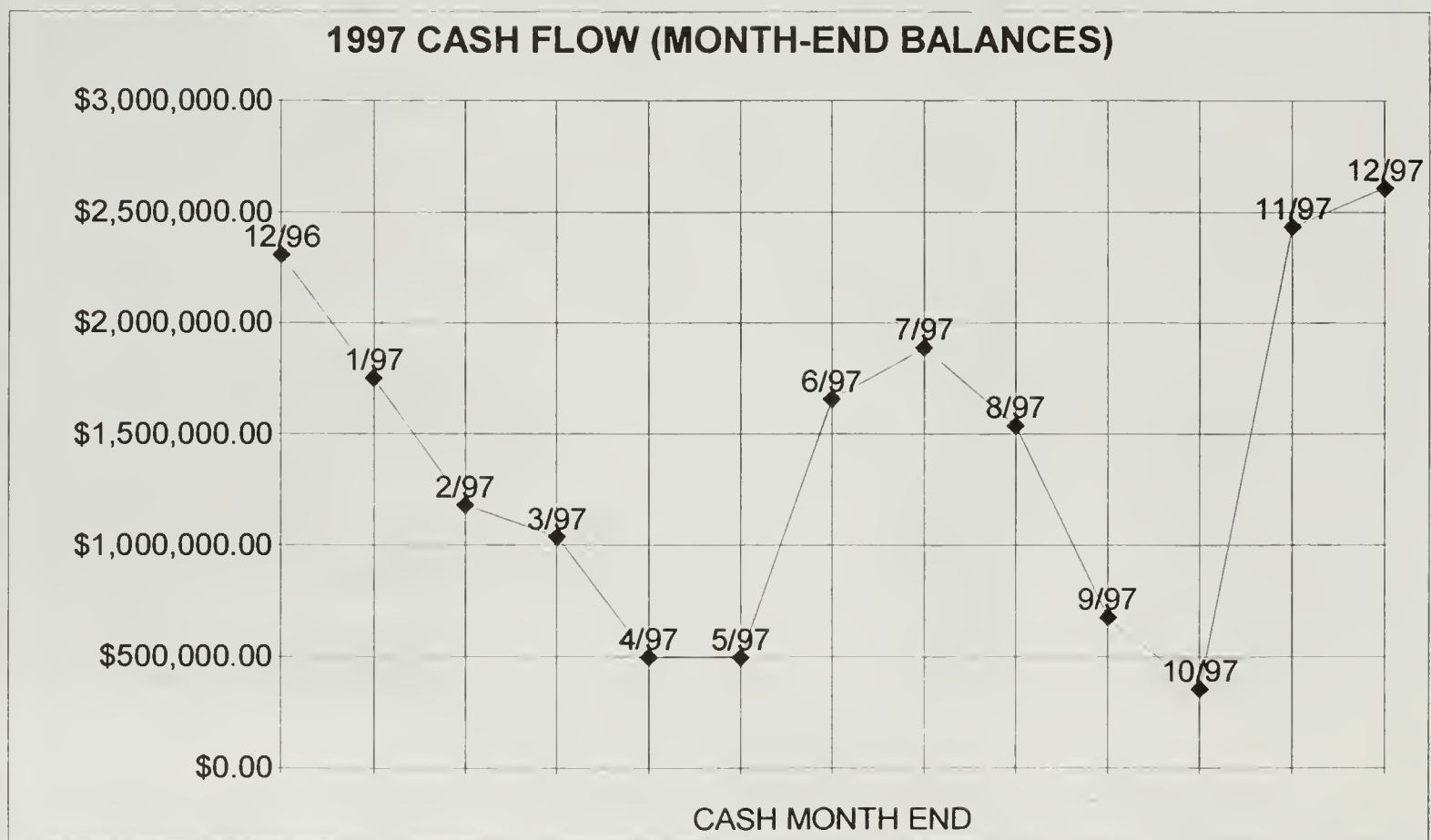
DONATION FOR JULY 4TH CELEBRATION		20.00
DRED INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT		2,500.00
WALMART ECONOMIC DEVELOP. GRANT		3,000.00
DONATIONS FOR STATE R.O.W. FENCE		200.00
GRANT/DONATIONS FOR DARE PROGRAM		6,777.45
GRANT FOR TREE PLANTING		2,385.00
GRANT FOR IN-CRUISER VIDEO CAMERAS		1,409.99
DEPT. OF JUSTICE POLICE DEPT. GRANT		78,582.19
SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY:		
Town-owned Real Property	33,800.98	
Cemetery Lots	3,880.00	
Town-owned Equipment	908.36	38,589.34
TAX COLLECTOR'S RECEIPTS		10,918,881.17
REVENUE FROM THE STATE:		
Highway Block Grant	156,469.58	
Disaster Relief State Share	1,521.00	
Revenue Sharing	234,777.56	
Rooms & Meals Distribution	98,511.66	491,279.80
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES		3,000.00
INTEREST EARNED		89,409.38
BAD CHECK FEES COLLECTED		125.50
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE		1,000,000.00
BANK ADJUSTMENTS/ERRORS		0.75
NSF CHECKS-NET		(423.50)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND DEPOSITS		\$13,811,879.09

Cash Flow Analysis - 1997

General Fund

	REVENUES	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
12/96			\$2,306,196.04
1/97	\$287,617.38	\$842,031.45	\$1,751,781.97
2/97	258,556.44	829,032.65	1,181,305.76
3/97	282,637.69	426,116.25	1,037,827.20
4/97	461,378.69	1,001,547.32	497,658.57
5/97	961,820.95	964,822.76	494,656.76
6/97	2,960,830.21	1,799,413.74	1,656,073.23
7/97	1,602,336.46	1,370,635.67	1,887,774.02
8/97	260,651.01	610,104.55	1,538,320.48
9/97	351,197.95	1,212,560.93	676,957.50
10/97	337,312.54	660,601.10	353,668.94
11/97	2,822,715.25	743,638.60	2,432,745.59
12/97	2,224,824.52	2,050,360.75	2,607,209.36
	\$12,811,879.09	\$12,510,865.77	

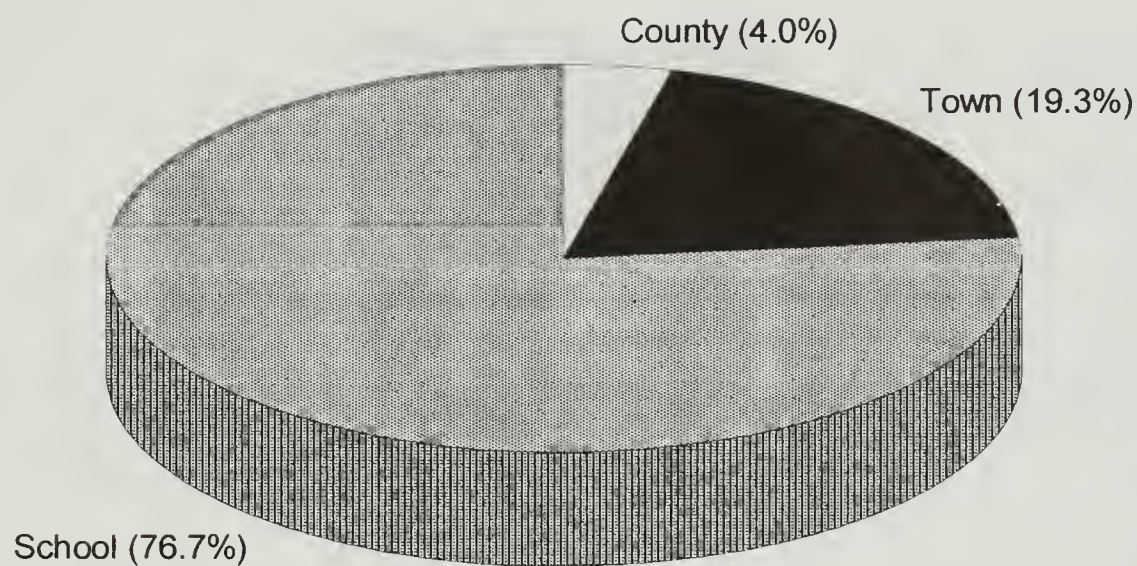
NOTE: Figures are exclusive of a \$1,000,000 Tax Anticipation loan extending from 6/01/97 through 11/26/97.



1997 Tax Rate

	RATE PER \$1000 ASSESSED VALUATION	PERCENT OF TOTAL
County	1.60	4.00%
Town	7.72	19.30%
School	<u>30.68</u>	<u>76.70%</u>
TOTAL TAX RATE	40.00	100.00%

1997 TAX RATE DISTRIBUTION

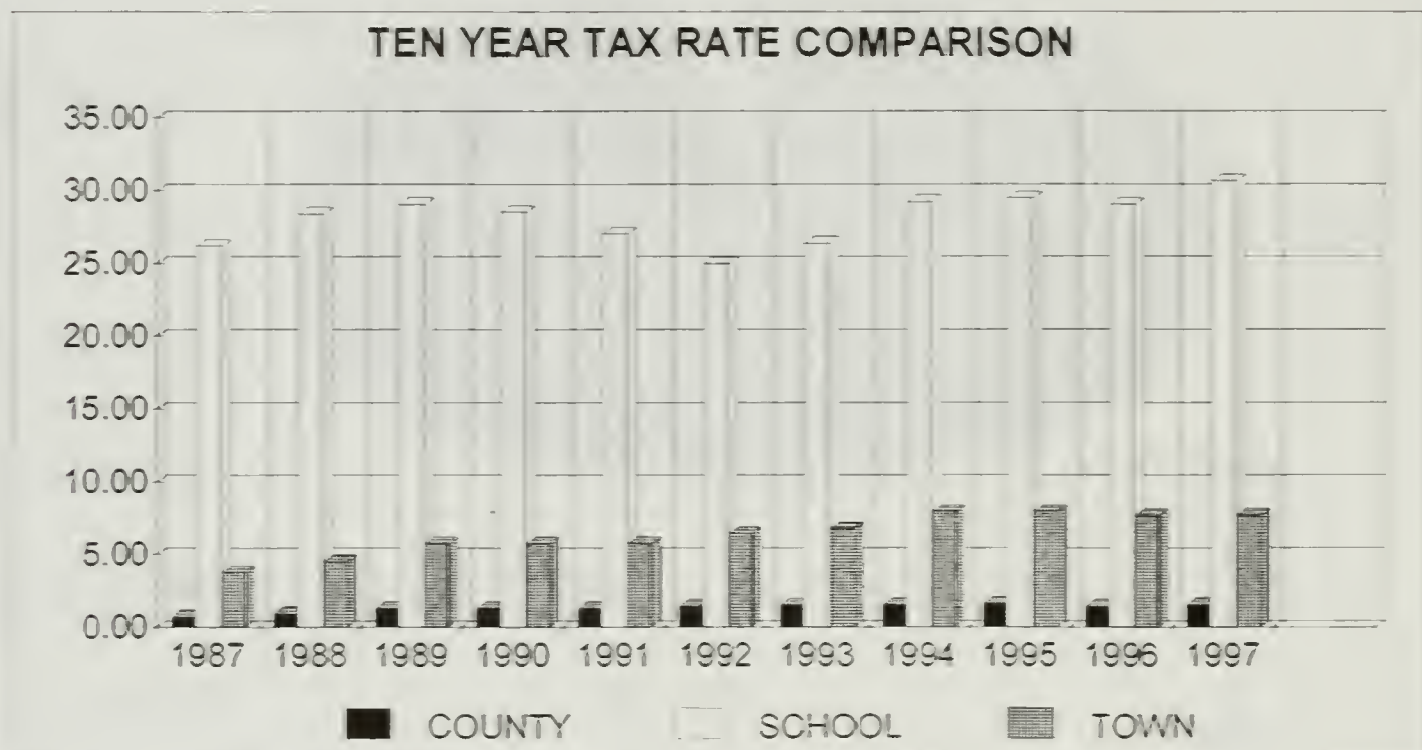


Ten Year Tax Rate Comparison

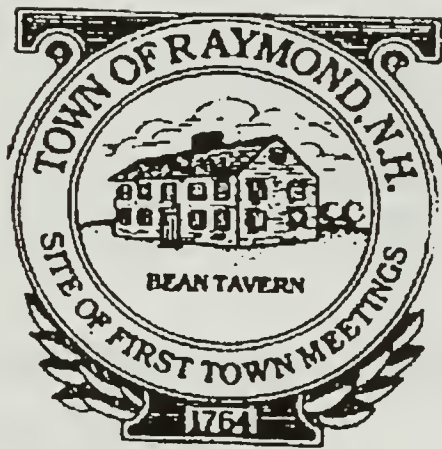
Year	Ratio	County	School	Town	Total
1987	58%	0.75	26.21	3.78	30.74
1988	58%	0.98	28.42	4.55	33.95
1989	59%	1.31	29.08	5.77	36.16
1990	65%	1.34	28.55	5.77	35.66
1991	75%	1.31	27.05	5.77	34.13
1992	84%	1.48	24.98	6.46	32.92
1993	89%	1.56	26.39	6.80	34.75
1994	89%	1.55	29.24	7.99	38.78
1995	89%	1.68	29.50	7.99	39.17
1996	88%	1.48	29.04	7.73	38.25
1997	80%	1.60	30.68	7.72	40.00

Percentage increase
1987 - 1997

113.00% 17.05% 104.20%



LEGISLATIVE REPORTS



Official Town Election

March 11, 1997

The Town of Raymond election was held on Tuesday, March 11, 1997 at the Iber H. Gove Middle School Gymnasium. Andrew Harmon, Moderator, opened the polls at 7:00 a.m. All ballot clerks were sworn in, as was Gloria Carney, acting as Deputy Supervisor of the Check-list. The ballot boxes were inspected and locked. The Moderator read the warrant for this day's election. The absentee ballots were opened at 2:30 p.m.

Supervisor of the Checklist Marilyn Semple was present. The ballot clerks for today's election were Elayne Clark, Caroline Severance, Assunta Ege, Anthony Spinazzola, Frances Spinazzola, Beverly Bickford, Kim Binette, Cheryl Solari, Kathleen Stockley, Dawn Cripe, Joan King, Darlene Doyle, Gayle McMullen, Ramona Stevens, Jane Anzalone, and Bette Patterson.

The polls closed at 7:00 p.m.

Total Ballots Cast	954
Total Absentee Ballots Cast	<u>11</u>
Total Votes Cast	965

Total Registered Voters	5,027
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Article 1 Town Officers

Selectman for Three Years (Vote for One)

Dan Donovan	82
David R. Hoelzel	290
Bill Kelley	171
Norman E. Weldy, Jr.	368

Write Ins:

Leo Doherty
Jack Barnes, Jr.
Mike Quintal
Leo Schofield
Sally Paradis

Budget Committee (Vote for Two)

Peter Buckingham	503
Kathleen M. Hoelzel	513
Edward J. Martini	410

Write Ins:

Sally Paradis	David Howard
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Write Ins: (For Budget Committee, continued)

Rick Nadeau
Malverda Smith
Frank Bishop
James Mayo

Walter Davis
Michael Quintal
Janet Butler
Timothy Louis

Library Trustee (Vote for One)

Karen A. Currier	621
Robert Gonser	124

Write Ins:

Faye Hammond
Jen Surette
Tim Kinsella

Bill Kelley
David Hoelzel, Jr.

Trustee of Trust Funds (Vote for One)

John S. "Jack" Barnes	798
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Write Ins:

Linda Hoelzel
Tim Louis
Wayne Holler
Frank Bishop
John Decareau, III
Brad Brusso
Ellen Sherlock
Ann Gove
Daniel Chouinard

Lyman Hammond
Walter Davis
Kathy Hoelzel
Gilford Weeks
Tim Cripe
Edward French
David Hoelzel, Sr.
David Hoelzel, Jr.

Article 2

"Do you favor the continuation of the Town Manager Plan as now in force in this town?"

Yes	621
No	345

Article 3

Amendments to the Raymond Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Raymond Planning Board or by Voter Petition:

Amendment #1

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 proposed by the Planning Board for the

Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add to "Article I - Purpose, Authority and General Provision", number 9: "To prevent duplication and/or similar sounding road names both public and private, the Planning Board shall approve all proposed road names prior to use."

YES	752
NO	135

Amendment #2

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add to "Article II - Definitions", the following: "Adult Day Care Facility is an establishment located either in a private residence or other building, which provides for the nonresidential care, supervision and protection of adult persons", and to allow "Adult Day Care Facilities" under "Article IV - Permitted Uses" in Zones A and B and, when associated with an operating business, in Zones C.1 and C.2."

YES	621
NO	241

Amendment #3

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add to "Article II - Definitions", the following: "Wireless Communications Facility is any tower(s), pole(s), antenna(e), or other structure(s) intended for use in connection with commercial transmission or in receipt of radio or television signals or any other spectrum-based transmissions/reception", and to add to "Article IV - Permitted Uses", as a Special Exception in Zones C.1 and C.2 and as an Allowed Use in Zone D, and to add to "Article VI (Section 6.9) - Special Provisions", for the locating, allowed use, and regulation of a Wireless Communications Facility."

YES	527
NO	296

Amendment #4

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To delete in "Article III - Zones", Section C.2, the words, "from the East to the West end of Longhill Road".

YES	425
NO	330

Amendment #5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add to "Article VI, Section 8 - Elderly Housing Overlay Zoning District", under "Section B - Definition", "Housing constructed and utilized for individuals over 62 years of age, or for a

family whose head of household is over 62 years of age, using public or private financing, and that units may be so constructed as to provide for an assisted living and continuing care component."

YES	653
NO	194

Amendment #6

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add under "Article VI, Section 8 - Elderly Housing Overlay Zoning District", in "Section C Permitted Uses", the following: Any site proposed for elderly housing shall be permitted in any zoning district except Zone D, where this will be allowed as an accessory use only. All overlay sites under this Article must meet the listed requirements in the Zoning Ordinance."

YES	581
NO	247

Amendment #7

"Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #7 proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To add to "Article VII, Section I - Administrative Procedure" the National Fire Protection Association 17 Standard for dry chemical extinguishing systems, and require that all new and substantially renovated fuel distribution locations install pre-engineered fire suppression systems to comply with this code."

YES	685
NO	148

Article 4

"Are you in favor of the adoption of an amendment proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Flood Plain Ordinance as follows: To re-adopt the Raymond Flood Plain Ordinance including required amendments and corrections as recommended by letter of the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission, in order to bring the Raymond Flood Plain Ordinance into compliance with current Federal Flood Insurance Regulations."

YES	693
NO	151

Moderator Andrew Harmon announced the results of the election and the results of the Zoning Ordinance ballot vote.

The meeting was recessed at 9:40 p.m. and will reconvene at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 15, 1997.

*A True Record, Attest
Doris M. Gagnon,
Town Clerk/Tax Collector*

Annual Town Meeting

March 15, 1997

The Annual Town Meeting of Raymond, N. H. was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School gymnasium by Moderator Andrew Harmon. Prior to the beginning of the meeting, the ballot clerks were sworn in and the ballot boxes were inspected and locked.

Moderator Andrew Harmon introduced the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Financial Advisor, Town Counsel, Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, and Budget Committee. The Supervisor of the Checklist was announced as Marilyn Semple and Deputy Supervisor for this meeting was Gayle McMullen. The ballot clerks were announced as Assunta Ege, Elayne Clark, Frances Spinazzola, Anthony Spinazzola, Joan King, Kim Binette, Paula Devlin-Wood, Kathleen Stockley and Caroline Severance. Reverend Neil Iverson offered a prayer and Boy Scout Troop 100 made a "Presentation of Colors"; the Flag of the United States was saluted. The Moderator announced that a salmon colored voting card with the letter "E" would be used for voting and identification purposes at the meeting, and he outlined the "Rules of Order" for how the meeting would be governed. It was announced that Supervisor of the Checklist Patricia Forsing had passed away during the previous week.

Article 1

Shall we modify the Elderly Exemptions from property tax in the Town of Raymond, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$25,000.00; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$30,000.00; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$40,000.00. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five (5) years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five (5) years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$15,000.00 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$25,000.00; and own net assets not in excess of \$40,000.00 excluding the value of the person's residence. (BY PETITION / BY BALLOT)

June Hartford moved, "Shall we modify the Elderly Exemptions from property tax in the Town of Raymond, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$25,000.00; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$30,000.00; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$40,000.00. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five (5) years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five (5) years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$15,000.00 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$25,000.00; and own net assets not in excess of \$40,000.00 excluding the value of the person's residence." The motion was seconded by Neal Welch.

Harold Wood moved to amend the last sentence of Article 1 to read as follows: "In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$22,000.00 or, if married, a combined income of less than \$32,000.00, and own net assets not in excess of \$40,000.00, excluding the value of the person's residence." The motion was seconded by Richard S. Ladd.

Discussion on amended Article 1 ensued. The vote on amended Article 1 passed. Norman Weldy moved the question on amended Article 1, seconded by John "Jack" Barnes. More discussion took place after the passing of the amendment. Donald Begg moved the question, seconded by John "Jack" Barnes. A ballot vote took place on amended Article 1. The Moderator stated that the polls would be opened from 10:40 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

YES 222

NO 33

AMENDED ARTICLE 1 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

During the recess, Roberta Johnson, outgoing Selectman, was presented with a plaque by the Board of Selectmen for her years of service to the Town of Raymond.

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million, Nine Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand, Nine Hundred Two dollars (\$3,978,902.00) to defray Town charges for the year ensuing. Said sum is exclusive of Articles numbers, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Harold Wood moved, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million, Nine Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand, Nine Hundred Two dollars (\$3,978,902.00) to defray Town charges for the year ensuing. Said sum is exclusive of Articles numbers, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9." The motion was seconded by Roberta Johnson.

Discussion of Article 2 ensued. A motion was made by Peter Buckingham to amend Article 2 to read as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million, Eight Hundred Eighty-seven Thousand, Two Hundred Nineteen dollars (\$3,887,219.00) to defray Town charges for the year ensuing. Said sum is exclusive of Articles numbers, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9." The motion was seconded by Richard W. Ladd.

Nathan Pearce moved the question on the amendment to Article 2, seconded by Norman Weldy.

YES 124

NO 73

A secret ballot vote was requested on amended Article 2. The Moderator declared the polls opened from 1:25 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.

YES 178

NO 31

AMENDED ARTICLE 2 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 3

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) to reconstruct Power Street.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

A motion was made by Richard S. Ladd, "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) to reconstruct Power Street." The motion was seconded by Neal Welch.

A motion was made by Kathleen Hoelzel to amend Article 3 to read as follows: "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to shim and overlay Power Street." The motion was seconded by Lyman Hammond, Jr.

Thomas Ahearn moved the question on the amendment to Article 3, seconded by Nathan Pearce.

YES 70

NO 104

Amendment to Article 3 failed to pass.

Colleen Coates moved the question on Article 3, seconded by Henry Turcotte.

YES 91

NO 98

THE VOTE ON ARTICLE 3 WAS IN THE NEGATIVE

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) to be added to the Pecker Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

A motion was made by Harold Wood, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) to be added to the Pecker Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund previously established." The motion was seconded by June Hartford.

Henry Turcotte moved the question on Article 4, seconded by Norman Weldy.

THE VOTE ON ARTICLE 4 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-eight Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty-four Dollars (\$58,634.00) in support of the following Social Service Agencies:

Seacoast Mental Health	2,500.00
Rockingham County Community Action	16,770.00
Lamprey Health Care (Senior Transportation)	5,800.00
Area Homemaker Health Aide Services	4,500.00
Child & Family Services (Rockingham Counseling Services)	5,500.00
Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association	12,913.00
Seacoast Big Brother/Big Sister of N. H.	1,088.00
A Safe Place	1,000.00
Sexual Assault Support Services (Women's Resource)	675.00

Rockingham County Nutrition Program	1,938.00
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	600.00
Aids Response to the Seacoast	1,000.00
Seacoast Hospice	2,350.00
Richie McFarland Children's Center	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total	58,634.00

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

A motion was made by June Hartford, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-eight Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty-four Dollars (\$58,634.00) in support of the following Social Service Agencies:

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Seacoast Hospice	2,350.00
Richie McFarland Children's Center	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total	58,634.00"

The motion was seconded by Roberta Johnson.

Norman Weldy moved the question on Article 5, seconded by John "Jack" Barnes.
THE VOTE ON ARTICLE 5 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to move all future Town Elections, Annual and Special Town Meetings, to the Raymond High School located on Harriman Hill Road, and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars (\$5,800.00) for the purpose of purchasing voting booths for the new location. (This is contingent upon an affirmative vote at the School District Meeting to move the School District Meeting to the High School).

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE)

A motion was made by Richard S. Ladd, seconded by Harold Wood, to pass over Article 6.

THE VOTE TO PASS OVER ARTICLE 6 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to create a Recreational Revolving Fund in accordance with R.S.A. 35-B, 2:II, and to name the Recreation Director as agent of said fund. In accordance with R.S.A. 35-B, 2:II, with the creation of this Recreational Fund, the money received from fees and charges shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the political subdivision's general surplus. The Treasurer of the Town of Raymond shall have custody of all monies in the Fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Recreation Director or Recreation and Parks Commission. These funds may be expended only for the purposes stated in R.S.A. 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of, or create a liability upon, other town funds which have not been appropriated for that purpose. After creation of such Recreational Fund, the monies in such fund shall not need further Town Meeting approval to be expended.

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE)

A motion was made by Robert Johnson, "To see if the Town will vote to create a Recreational Revolving Fund in accordance with R.S.A. 35-B, 2:II, and to name the Recreation Director as agent of said fund. In accordance with R.S.A. 35-B, 2:II, with the creation of this Recreational Fund, the money received from fees and charges shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the political subdivision's general surplus. The Treasurer of the Town of Raymond shall have custody of all monies in the Fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Recreation Director or Recreation and Parks Commission. These funds may be expended only for the purposes stated in R.S.A. 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of, or create a liability upon, other town funds which have not been appropriated for that purpose. After creation of such Recreational Fund, the monies in such fund shall not need further Town Meeting approval to be expended." The motion was seconded by Neal Welch.

Nathan Pearce moved the question on Article 7, seconded by Norman Weldy.
THE VOTE ON ARTICLE 7 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 8

To see whether the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to the authority granted by HB 160, effective February 6, 1997, to cause an Assessor's Plat of the area known as the Green Hills Subdivision to be prepared pursuant to NH RSA 72-A with all expense of same upon its completion to be borne proportionately by the landowners and collected as a special assessment pursuant to NH RSA 80 on the land, all as provided in the legislation, and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,470.00 for this purpose (\$59,659.00 will be offset by revenues).

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE)

A Motion was made by June Hartford to Amend Article 8 to read as follows: "To see whether the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to the

authority granted by HB 160, effective February 6, 1997, to cause an Assessor's Plat of the area known as the Green Hills Subdivision to be prepared with all expense of same upon its completion to be borne proportionately by the landowners and collected as a special assessment pursuant to NH RSA 80 on the land, all as provided in the legislation, and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,470.00 for this purpose (\$59,659.00 will be offset by revenues)." The motion was seconded by Roberta Johnson.

Harold Wood moved the question on the amendment to Article 8, seconded by David Kenney.

THE VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 8 WAS AFFIRMATIVE

Norman Weldy moved the question on amended Article 8, seconded by Lisa Frisella.
THE VOTE ON AMENDED ARTICLE 8 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell Tax Map 6, Lot 79-1-1 (55 Prescott Road) for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to the Rockingham Community Action Program (R.C.A.P.) upon completion of the Community Development Block Grant funded rehabilitation and conversion of site and buildings, for establishing the Jedediah Brown Social Service Center.

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

(RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE)

A motion was made by Roberta Johnson, "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell Tax Map 6, Lot 79-1-1 (55 Prescott Road) for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to the Rockingham Community Action Program (R.C.A.P.) upon completion of the Community Development Block Grant funded rehabilitation and conversion of site and buildings, for establishing the Jedediah Brown Social Service Center." The motion was seconded by Harold Wood.

Lisa Frisella moved the question on Article 9, seconded by Nathan Pearce.
THE VOTE ON ARTICLE 9 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to release any public right in any rangeways in the Town, that the Board of Selectmen shall determine are no longer in the public interest to hold.

A motion was made by Richard Ladd, "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to release any public right in any rangeways in the Town, that the Board of Selectmen shall determine are no longer in the public interest to hold." The motion was seconded by Neal Welch.

Steve Georgeoplous moved the question on Article 10, seconded by Norman Weldy.
THE VOTE ON ARTICLE 10 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:5 D authorizing the Library

Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose; provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the Library Trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the Library Trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property.

A motion was made by Harold Wood, "To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:5 D authorizing the Library Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose; provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the Library Trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the Library Trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property." The motion was seconded by June Hartford.

Steve Georgeoplous moved the question on Article 11, seconded by Nathan Pearce.
THE VOTE ON ARTICLE 11 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the Special Town Meeting vote of October 23, 1995, which authorized the Board of Selectmen to sell Tax Map 6, Lot 33 to M-O-H Enterprises FL., Inc., (for the Quadroplex Group) in consideration of a quint type aerial ladder fire truck. (By Petition.)

Michael Quintal made a motion to amend Article 12 to read as follows: "I move that the Town vote to rescind the Special Town Meeting vote of October 23, 1995, which authorized the Board of Selectmen to sell Tax Map 6, Lot 33 to M-O-H Enterprises FL., Inc., (for the Quadroplex Group) in consideration of the balance payment of a quint type aerial ladder fire truck. This revocation would take effect six (6) months after its passage, unless a majority of the Board of Selectmen file with the Raymond Town Clerk, after a public hearing, a certification confirming that the town is in good faith negotiations with the proponents of the Quadroplex project for its construction, and that all funds and interest on those funds due to the Town of Raymond shall have been paid. The failure to file such certification shall be conclusive evidence of the legal effectiveness of this article." The motion was seconded by John S. "Jack" Barnes.

Michael Quintal moved the question on the amendment to Article 12, seconded by Harold Wood.

THE VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 12 WAS AFFIRMATIVE.

Nathan Pearce moved the question on the amended Article 12, seconded by Lisa Frisella.

THE VOTE ON AMENDED ARTICLE 12 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

Kathleen Hoelzel moved to restrict reconsideration on Article 1 through 12, seconded by Norman Weldy.

Lisa Frisella moved the question to restrict reconsideration on Articles 1 through 12, seconded by Nathan Pearce.

THE VOTE TO RESTRICT RECONSIDERATION WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to acquire the 18-acre parcel known as Tax Map 17, Lot 46 near the Cammett Recreational Area for the development of a riverside park and recreational area by exchanging the land known as Tax Map 5, Lot 58-1 for Tax Map 17, Lot 46. If lot 58-1 is not a buildable lot, another suitable lot that is buildable will be used for the exchange. (By Petition.)

Henry Turcotte moved to amend Article 13 to read as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to acquire the 18-acre parcel known as Tax Map 5, Lot 46-A near the Cammett Recreational Area for the development of a riverside park and recreational area by exchanging the land known as Tax Map 5, Lot 58-1 for Tax Map 17, Lot 46. If lot 58-1 is not a buildable lot, another suitable lot that is buildable will be used for the exchange. (The amendment is to correct the Tax Map number and Lot number for the parcel of land owned by Henry Turcotte. It was printed incorrectly due to a typographical error. The correct Map number is 5 and the correct Lot number is 46-A.) The motion was seconded by Timothy Louis.

THE VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 13 WAS AFFIRMATIVE.

Norman Weldy moved the question on amended Article 13, seconded by Nathan Pearce.

THE VOTE ON AMENDED ARTICLE 13 WAS IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

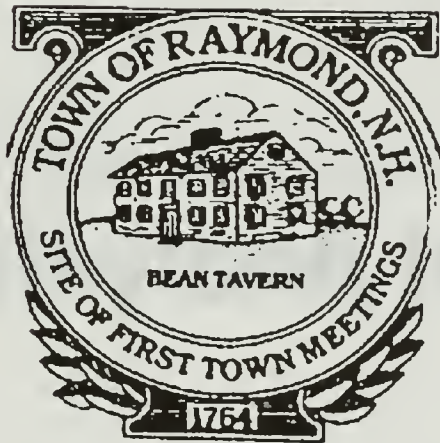
Moderator Andrew Harmon advised that there was other advisory business to be heard.

Kathleen Hoelzel made a motion that the Selectmen and Town Manager return \$100,000.00 from the General Fund for the purpose of reducing taxes. The motion failed.

Timothy Louis made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John S. "Jack" Barnes. Moderator Andrew Harmon adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

***A True Record Attest:
Doris M. Gagnon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector***

Financial Reports



1997 Tax Rate Computation

Town Portion

Appropriations	\$4,053,323.00
Less: Revenues	2,353,785.00
Less: Shared Revenues	31,667.00
Add: Overlay	202,191.00
Add: War Service Credits	63,800.00

Net Town Appropriation	\$1,933,862.00	
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Approved Town/City Tax Effort	\$1,933,862.00	
Municipal Tax Rate		\$7.72

School Portion

Due to Local School	\$7,825,062.00
Less Shared Revenues	135,743.00

Net School Appropriation	7,689,319.00	
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Approved School Tax Effort	7,689,319.00	
School Tax Rate		30.68

County Portion

Due to County	\$410,876.00
Less Shared Revenues	10,497.00

Net County Appropriation	400,379.00	
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Approved County Tax Effort	400,379.00	
County Tax Rate		1.60

Total Property Taxes Assessed	\$10,023,560.00	
Combined Tax Rate		\$40.00

Commitment Analysis

Total Property Taxes Assessed	\$10,023,560.00
Less: War Service Credits	(63,800.00)
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$9,959,760.00

Proof

Net Assessed Valuation:	\$250,589,005.00	
Tax Rate	4.00%	10,023,560.00

Tax Year 1997

Summary Inventory of Valuation

	Acreages	1996 Assessed Valuation	Totals
Value of Land Only			
Current Use Land	5,644.75	354,450.00	
Residential	9,414.59	58,568,480.00	
Commercial/Industrial	2,094.97	14,973,412.00	
Total of Taxable Land	17,154.31		\$73,896,342.00
Value of Buildings Only			
Residential		\$120,093,890.00	
Manufactured Housing		14,833,130.00	
Commercial/Industrial		38,795,588.00	
Total of Taxable Buildings			173,722,608.00
Public Water Utility (Privately Owned)			671,768.00
Public Utility (Electric)			7,279,037.00
Valuation Before Exemptions			\$255,569,755.00
Exemptions:			
Blind Exemptions	7	90,800.00	
Elderly Exemptions	188	4,818,550.00	
Physically Handicapped Exemptions	1	63,200.00	
Solar/Wind Power Exemptions	2	8,200.00	
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			4,980,750.00
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed			<u>\$250,589,005.00</u>

1993 Bond Issue

For EDA Project, Fire Equipment & Library Renovation

Year Ended 12/31	Principal Outstanding	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Total Payment	Interest Rate
1997	405,000.00	35,000.00	21,676.26	56,676.26	5.30%
1998	370,000.00	35,000.00	19,821.26	54,821.26	5.30%
1999	335,000.00	35,000.00	17,966.26	52,966.26	5.30%
2000	300,000.00	35,000.00	16,111.26	51,111.26	5.30%
2001	265,000.00	35,000.00	14,256.26	49,256.26	4.90%
2002	230,000.00	35,000.00	12,541.26	47,541.26	5.10%
2003	195,000.00	35,000.00	10,756.26	45,756.26	5.20%
2004	160,000.00	35,000.00	8,936.26	43,936.26	5.38%
2005	125,000.00	35,000.00	7,055.00	42,055.00	5.50%
2006	90,000.00	30,000.00	5,130.00	35,130.00	5.70%
2007	60,000.00	30,000.00	3,420.00	33,420.00	5.70%
2008	30,000.00	<u>30,000.00</u>	<u>1,710.00</u>	<u>31,710.00</u>	5.70%
		\$405,000.00	\$139,380.08	\$544,380.08	

Safety Complex

Bond Payment Schedule

Year Ended 12/31	Principal Outstanding	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Total Payment	Interest Rate
1997	550,000.00	40,000.00	38,370.00	78,370.00	6.90%
1998	510,000.00	40,000.00	35,610.00	75,610.00	6.90%
1999	470,000.00	40,000.00	32,850.00	72,850.00	6.90%
2000	430,000.00	40,000.00	30,090.00	70,090.00	6.90%
2001	390,000.00	40,000.00	27,330.00	67,330.00	6.90%
2002	350,000.00	40,000.00	24,570.00	64,570.00	6.90%
2003	310,000.00	40,000.00	21,810.00	61,810.00	6.90%
2004	270,000.00	40,000.00	19,050.00	59,050.00	7%
2005	230,000.00	40,000.00	16,250.00	56,250.00	7%
2006	190,000.00	40,000.00	13,450.00	53,450.00	7%
2007	150,000.00	40,000.00	10,650.00	50,650.00	7.10%
2008	110,000.00	40,000.00	7,810.00	47,810.00	7.10%
2009	70,000.00	35,000.00	4,970.00	39,970.00	7.10%
2010	35,000.00	<u>35,000.00</u>	<u>2,485.00</u>	<u>37,485.00</u>	7.10%
		\$550,000.00	\$285,295.00	\$835,295.00	

Town of Raymond

Water Construction Bonds

Year Ended 12/31	<u>Project # 1</u>		<u>Project # 2</u>		TOTAL
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
1997	9,000.00	6,300.00	2,450.00	1,960.00	19,710.00
1998	9,000.00	5,850.00	2,450.00	1,838.00	19,138.00
1999	9,000.00	5,400.00	2,450.00	1,715.00	18,565.00
2000	9,000.00	4,950.00	2,450.00	1,592.00	17,992.00
2001	9,000.00	4,500.00	2,450.00	1,470.00	17,420.00
2002	9,000.00	4,050.00	2,450.00	1,348.00	16,848.00
2003	9,000.00	3,600.00	2,450.00	1,225.00	16,275.00
2004	9,000.00	3,150.00	2,450.00	1,102.00	15,702.00
2005	9,000.00	2,700.00	2,450.00	980.00	15,130.00
2006	9,000.00	2,250.00	2,450.00	858.00	14,558.00
2007	9,000.00	1,800.00	2,450.00	735.00	13,985.00
2008	9,000.00	1,350.00	2,450.00	612.00	13,412.00
2009	9,000.00	900.00	2,450.00	490.00	12,840.00
2010	<u>9,000.00</u>	<u>450.00</u>	2,450.00	368.00	12,268.00
2011			2,450.00	245.00	2,695.00
2012			<u>2,450.00</u>	<u>122.00</u>	2,572.00
TOTALS	\$126,000.00	\$47,250.00	\$39,200.00	\$16,660.00	229,110.00
PROJECT 1:	\$276,000		PROJECT 2:	\$74,000	
O.M.RD.LINE	1982-2010		WELL # 1	1983-2012	

Tax Liens

For the Year Ending December 31, 1997

Debits

	1996	1995	1994	Prior
Unredeemed Liens Balance at 1/01/97		\$390,115.17	\$194,467.91	\$31,577.82
Liens Executed During 1996	\$503,254.26			
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	8,455.70	35,777.60	66,472.08	10,093.54
Total Debits	\$511,709.96	\$425,892.77	\$260,939.99	\$41,671.36

Credits

Redemptions Remitted to The Treasurer	\$175,078.69	\$181,800.34	\$182,349.04	\$17,372.69
Interest & Costs After Lien Execution	8,455.70	35,777.60	66,472.08	10,093.54
Abatement of Unredeemed Taxes	13,829.75	13,799.74		
Liens Deeded to Municipality	12,281.03	13,510.55	9,938.06	
Unredeemed Lien Balance at End of Year	302,064.79	181,004.54	2,180.81	14,205.13
Total Credits	\$511,709.96	\$425,892.77	\$260,939.99	\$41,671.36

*Respectfully submitted,
Doris M. Gagnon
Tax Collector*

Tax Collector's Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 1996

Debits

	1997	1996	1995	1994
<u>Uncollected Taxes 1/01/97:</u>				
Property Taxes		\$1,077,563.57	\$963.24	
Resident Taxes		18,830.00	\$7,710.00	
Land Use Change Taxes		1,811.32		
Yield Taxes		5,498.00		
Water Bills		489.57		
<u>Taxes Committed During 1997</u>				
Property Taxes	\$10,065,975.00			
Resident Taxes	75,110.00	380.00		
Land Use Change Taxes	14,655.96			
Yield Taxes	14,520.00			
Water Bills	153,033.92	46,612.29		
<u>Overpayments:</u>				
Property Taxes	32,906.78	272.26		
Resident Taxes	210.00	150.00		
Water Bills		88.95		
<u>Interest Collected:</u>				
On Delinquent Taxes	10,232.45	77,258.03	156.06	
Resident Tax Penalties	234.00	650.00	23.00	
Total Debits	\$10,366,878.11	\$1,229,603.99	\$8,852.30	\$0.00

Credits

	1997	1996	1995	1994
<u>Remittances to Treasurer:</u>				
Property Taxes	\$9,000,498.97	\$618,197.80	\$963.24	
Conversion to Lien		503,254.26		
Resident Taxes	49,220.00	6,580.00	\$230.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	3,643.64	1,811.32		
Yield Taxes	9,739.50	3,401.01		
Water Bills	148,043.19	47,072.31		
Interest	10,232.45	30,702.29	156.06	
Resident Penalties	234.00	2,851.00	23.00	
<u>Abatements Made:</u>				
Property Taxes	87,457.00	2,413.50		
Resident Taxes	6,530.00	5,840.00	7,480.00	
Water Bills	458.25	118.50		
Yield Taxes	482.00	422.00		
<u>Uncollected Taxes 12/31/97:</u>				
Property Taxes	1,010,925.81			
Resident Taxes	19,570.00	6,940.00		
Land Use Change Taxes	11,012.32			
Yield Taxes	4,298.50			
Water Bills	4,532.48			
Total Credits	\$10,366,878.11	\$1,229,603.99	\$8,852.30	\$0.00

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

The office of Town Clerk/Tax Collector has had another productive year. With the onset of mail-in registrations this past year, the time it takes to process a car registration has been shortened, with the added convenience that residents don't have to stand in line to be served.

The year has brought personnel changes by the leaving of one clerk and hiring of another who, also, has since left. At this point, a new person has come aboard and I am sure that she will fit quite comfortably into the position of clerk.

Revenues are up again for the year, especially in Motor Vehicle registrations. Most residents take advantage of the fact that they can process their registrations in full at the Town Offices, rather than making the trip to the State Sub-Station. This seems to hold true regardless of the number of registrations to be done.

I want to recognize my Deputy, Norma Lovejoy, for her excellent work and the extra time that she has needed to put in during personnel changes. Without her my office would not function as efficiently and productively as it does. I am looking forward to a great year in 1998.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris M. Gagnon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Town Clerk Receipts for 1997

Auto Registrations	\$ 809,142.00
Titles - Autos	4,076.00
Municipal Agent Plate Fees	24,467.50
Dog Licenses & Fees	8,632.50
Marriage Licenses	4,095.00
UCC Filing Fees	4,932.75
Vital Statistics Filing Fees	1,340.00
Dog Fines	1,050.00
Miscellaneous Fees, Including Notary	119.50
Parking Tickets	45.00
Overages/Shortages	+ 487.21
Total Revenue	\$857,387.46

Total Registrations Processed:	11,148
Total Dog Licenses Issued:	1,350

Salaries of Town Officers & Employees

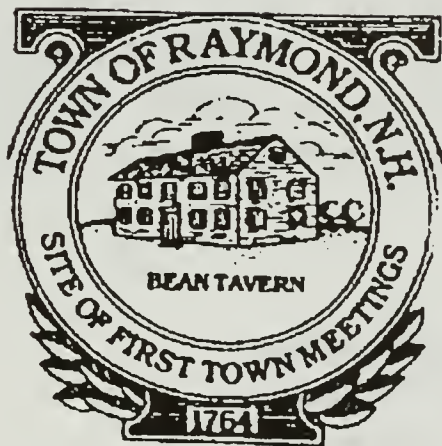
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Abelli, Richard R.	5,206.01	Dion, David	787.50	Hoitt, William	29,568.38
Agrafiotis, Stephen	23,365.26	Dolan, Brenda	133.33	Hurley, Evan	187.50
Ahearn, Connor E.	1,314.57	Doyle, Darlene	32.50	Hussey, Steven J.	272.42
Anzalone, Jane M.	32.50	Drew, Carrie	1,864.00	Immonen, Polly	1,418.45
Archambault, Raymond	852.25	Drouin, Kacy	3,112.38	Jean, Benjamin	2,178.00
Arneil, Steven J.	6,897.00	Drykacz, Diane	1,770.61	Jesmer, Richard	1,891.20
Arnold, Brian S.	23,149.30	Dyrkacz, Peter	15,509.29	Jewell, Frederick	968.82
Audette, Richard	6,797.06	Eaton, Mayhew	1,956.39	Jewell, Sarah	1,860.77
Auen, Kenneth W.	2,220.25	Ege, Assunta	87.50	Johnson, Amber	1,329.00
Barnes, John S.	133.33	Elias, Mann	133.92	Johnson, Roberta	312.50
Bates, Richard	32,386.07	Elliott, Daniel W.	38.75	Keddy, Scott	28,626.38
Beckford, Beverly J.	40.00	Fancher, Catherine	3,896.49	Keddy, Theresa	993.00
Bentz, Eric	34,622.52	Farrington, Carl	21,378.83	Kelly, Jonathan	31,401.11
Bergeron, Christen	2,715.28	Fenstermaker, Alan	30,479.94	King, Joan	65.00
Binette, Kim E.	72.50	Ferland, Joseph	202.31	Kinzer, Margaret	368.54
Bishop, Franklin C.	87.42	Forsing, Robert	450.00	Kirlis, Donald	462.00
Boone, Roland	3,784.53	Foss, Gunnar	220.00	Kitchen, Ann	101.25
Boudreau, Michele L.	2,259.45	Frechette, Stephen	3,326.99	Krantz, Thomas	3,008.25
Boutilier, George	26,278.49	Frechette, Keith R.	1,109.84	Kretschmer, Katie	1,608.16
Brackett, Adam A.	1,151.25	Gagnon, Doris	27,396.82	Ladd, Richard	1,500.00
Britt, Rachel A.	1,894.75	Gagnon, Stephen	499.14	Landis, Emery	780.00
Brox, Charlene M.	23,015.80	Gallant, Gerard J.	1,249.50	Larochelle, Jason	23,364.53
Brox, George G.	133.33	Gallison, Elizabeth	3,318.03	Larrabee, Jean	7,640.60
Buelte, Robert	1,474.00	Gauthier, Jeremy	341.00	Larrabee, Wayne	824.93
Buffington, Marian	12.50	Giberson, Donna L.	1,878.83	Lauder, Jan	154.00
Buskey, Jeff	14,972.89	Gordon, Michelle	19,802.93	Leary, David	547.50
Carney, Gloria E.	72.50	Gordon, Pauline	14,822.10	Lee, Mark	222.85
Castile, Marcus	2,205.26	Gotham, Melissa	1,247.50	Lehman, Kelly A.	1,907.09
Case, Krystyn	163.30	Graham, Jennifer	280.53	Lord, Alicia	1,497.59
Chaney, Tara	108.27	Grant, Catherine	23,933.79	Lovejoy, Norma	21,858.50
Chapman, Sarah	10,135.20	Grant, Jason	3,647.26	Lydon, Andrea	1,476.61
Charland, Michelle	1,708.20	Greenaway, Maghan	3,664.31	Magoon, Kathleen	12.50
Clark, Elayne C.	72.50	Greene, Vicki	2,889.13	Mailhot, Richard	37,629.92
Cocchiario, Jennie	3,024.33	Greenwood, Micol P.	2,256.76	Maynard, Michelle	19,752.77
Coope, Shawn	30,786.97	Greenwood, Richard J.	2,209.69	McCarthy, Dennis	42,351.75
Cottrell, Barry L.	1,194.53	Haglund, Barbara	12.50	McCosh, Jonathan	100.00
Craig, Timothy	28,427.12	Hall, David	172.50	McGrath, Stephen	33.75
Creveling, Ernest	3,557.70	Hammond, Christopher	49.79	McConn, Robert	348.75
Cripe, Dawn	6,968.13	Hammond, Kevin	29,239.21	McMullen, Gayle	65.00
Cronan, Jennifer L.	1,468.39	Hammond, Paul	29,664.55	McMullen, Robert	10,905.15
Currier, Patricia	17,474.31	Harmon, Andrew	100.00	McPherson, Steven	6,594.50
Davis, Frederick	3,908.64	Harney, Peter	1,000.00	Menard, Christine	3,068.16
Davis, Richard	37,271.65	Hart-Thibeault, Jeanne	681.44	Migneault, Chris	1,667.05
Desrosiers, Tami	14,709.91	Hartford, June	1,500.00	Millard, Rosemary	28,389.88
Devlin-Wood, Paula	32.50	Hartley, Michael	694.45	Morin, Holly A.	1,437.45
Deyermond, Emilie	1,237.50	Hassan, Kamel	965.00	Mulholland, Keith	15,353.90
Dinapoli, Kevin J.	24,877.25	Hawkes, Russell	1,026.00	Munroe, Mark T.	1,041.50

Murphy, James	5,854.00	Roy, Martha	21,459.41	Theriault, Diane	14,250.05
Nadeau, Jessica	1,107.27	Sadler, Malissa	96.00	Theriault, Greg	406.37
Nault, James	320.00	Salois, David T.	39,571.04	Thorsell, Brian	251.88
Nerdon, Timothy	620.73	Sartell, James	242.00	Tomilson, James	231.00
Newman, Jason	26,858.11	Schmottlach, Elaine	3,608.82	Toscano, Richard	333.75
Nye, James	140.39	Semple, Marilyn	450.00	Trofatter, Fred, Jr.	20,478.73
O'Grady, Denise	21,864.79	Sahlin, Fred J.	186.00	Victoria, Robert	392.24
Olivier, Daniel	990.00	Severance, Caroline	72.50	Vincent, Andrew	28,409.64
Palen, Joshua	2,979.02	Sharp, Raymond	416.02	Wallis, Karin	1,529.16
Palmer, Barry D.	1,683.00	Sheehan, Devin	1,271.25	Wallis, Steven	777.23
Papamichael, Stacy	1,367.33	Smith, Allen R.	1,903.34	Walls, Sharon	23,999.32
Parker, Stacy	1,000.00	Smith, Debra	22,479.18	Ware, Elizabeth	11,538.40
Patterson, Bette	12,875.66	Smith, Eric	275.00	Welch, Bruce	614.64
Patterson, Nicholas	3,090.16	Solari, Cheryl	1,471.38	Welch, Neal	1,500.00
Payette, Robert	27,515.08	Spinazzola, Anthony	105.00	Welch, Paul	1,037.25
Payne, Scott	24,581.24	Spinazzola, Frances	72.50	Welch, Wayne	1,074.50
Perkins, Charles	3,855.25	Spinney, David	29,877.78	Wikstrom, Lavaughn	36,265.06
Piecuch, Jonathan	887.95	Sahlin, Fred, Sr.	23.25	Weldy, Norm	1,187.50
Pothier, Kathleen	2,584.00	St. John, Joan	576.00	Williams, Michael	116.87
Potter, Ricky	81.84	Stevens, Ramona	32.50	Wojnowski, Edward	11,192.28
Pratt, Kerry	1,095.63	Stockley, Kathleen	105.00	Wood, Harold	1,500.00
Pratt, Kevin	36,372.61	Sturgis, Tim	453.84	Wood, Horace	320.00
Ridlon, Todd	14,334.74	Sykes, Craig	11,407.73	Wood, Kevin	224.85
Rivera, Kathryn	1,195.00	Stilkey, Jack, Jr.	1,294.81	Wynne, Elizabeth	3,638.52
Robinson, Richard	74.40	Talbot, Philip	564.51	Yamin, Paul J.	400.20
Rollston, Christopher	132.00	Taylor, Tracy K.	4,141.48	Wefero, Mark	264.00
Rousseau, David	3,368.64				
Rousseau, Meri-Lyn	8,762.75				

TOTAL WAGES

\$1,531,412.78

DEPARTMENT REPORTS



Building & Health

1997 has been a busy year for the Building Department. New home construction was on the rise, as was investment in major improvements. This is seen as installation of garages, family rooms, pools, and other improvements or renovations costing more than \$15,000.00.

Assistance to the Planning and Zoning Boards also has seen a rise, with increasing and varying requests.

Much work on the acquisition and planning of the Jedediah Brown/Community Action renovation has taken place. Many meetings have settled nearly all of the technical issues and will allow construction to start early in 1998.

There has been an increase in the instance of and complaints about junk autos. State and local law allows only one unregistered vehicle per lot. It is important to adhere to these regulations in order to avoid the blight brought by unregistered autos.

I would like to thank the citizens of the town for the opportunity to serve them.

*Respectfully submitted,
Richard J. Mailhot, Sr.
Code Enforcement Officer*

Raymond Community Stewardship Committee

The Raymond Community Stewardship Committee has had another ambitious year. We have been working for the past two years to raise money for five gateway signs for the town of Raymond. These gateway signs are part of our charge as a committee, and are part of our ongoing effort to preserve our town's past and beautify its future. They also are part of our pledge to make Raymond a business-friendly town.

We are a very small committee and all have worked hard. We are proud to announce that the first sign has been completed and the other four are being painted. We also have been able to buy one set of granite posts, and the first sign will go up in the spring. These signs are one of a kind, custom designed for the town of Raymond. Each sign will feature a different season. Yes, we have five seasons in New Hampshire! We never have seen any sign this nice in any other town.

In other news, our Fifth Annual Silly Boat Race was well attended this year during the Town Fair. We gathered items for our Second Annual Flea Market in July and inadvertently interrupted the 4th of July parade crowd. We didn't open until after the speeches were over, but many didn't know that. We were kept busy shooing people out of doorways and hallways in the Old Fire Station.

We awarded the second Raymond Steward of the Year award to Wal-Mart for their generous donations to the town -- for the aerial ladder fire truck, the new light at Harriman Hill Road and Route 27, computer systems for the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School, and many more to various non-profit groups in town.

The Stewards wish to thank the Selectmen, the Town Manager, the Fire, Police and Highway Departments, and all of the volunteers and companies that donated their time and money for the town of Raymond.

*Respectfully submitted,
Valerie Picco, Chairman
Community Stewardship Committee*

Committee Members

Valerie Picco, Chairman
Thomas Lee Krantz

Stephen Keith
Gloria Brown

Conservation Commission

The year 1997 was one of change for the Raymond Conservation Commission. The Commission is an advisory body, provided for in N. H. law and created by the citizens of Raymond. The Commission's charter is to review and advise on wetlands applications, hold conservation lands, and educate the public on conservation issues.

During this year, the Conservation Commission was quite busy reviewing applications, going on site walks, acquiring three additional Natural Resource Inventories of town properties, acquiring reference information for use by citizens and town government, and meeting with the following groups: the Lamprey River Advisory Committee; the Lamprey and Exeter Rivers Watershed Protection groups; the Bearpaw Regional Greenways group; Rockingham Youth Development Authority; and Southern N. H. Trailblazers.

Also during this year, we regretfully said goodbye to four of our members. We welcomed one new member. The Commission can have up to seven members. If you are interested in conservation, wetlands and open space issues, or in knowing what may happen to your water supply before it comes out of the tap, please come and join us. We currently are looking for two more members.

Meetings of the Commission are on the first and third Wednesday of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Our agenda typically is posted in several places, including at the Town Office Building. Tree hugging is not required.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jan Kent, Chairperson
Conservation Commission*

Dispatch Center

Looking back at the past year at the Communications Center, one would have to notice the many changes in personnel. Past Communications Director Fred Trofatter went on to pursue a career in computer networking with the Exeter Hospital. Our thanks to Fred for upgrading the computer system and for the implementation of the IMC Software which encompasses Police, Fire, Ambulance and Dispatch for recording activity, scheduling personnel, and tracking information and calls for service.

1997 said "Goodbye" to Jeff Buskey, Kathleen Pothier, Jason Larochelle, and Carl Farrington, and "Hello" to Steve Arneil, Jean Larrabee, and James Nault (the new full-time voices), and to Malissa Sadler, Joan St. John and Denny Wood, joining the existing part-time staff of Betty Gallison and Tracy Taylor.

In an effort to correct and improve radio communications between our base and the emergency service field units handling your calls, we have searched for the most feasible and effective solution. It was determined that an off-site station would be able to produce the necessary results, thereby decreasing the liability to the town and ensuring accurate communications for the safety of the officers and citizens. Information obtained on possible area sites was entered into the computer, which produced graphs showing the most suitable location meeting our criteria. Utilizing the old Base Station and the Sprint Tower, adding the required equipment and labor, we should be able to complete this project, hopefully eliminating the words "unable to copy your transmission - please repeat".

Activity and calls for service continue to increase at a rapid rate, keeping the dispatcher on duty extremely busy. Good communications skills require the continuing education and training which is essential in this rapidly changing profession, as well as certification in the specialized fields of "Emergency Medical Dispatching", "State Police Online Telecommunication System", and "Power Phone".

Special thanks are extended to the Raymond Police Department, Raymond Fire Department, Raymond Ambulance Incorporated, Raymond Public Works Department, and Raymond Town Office Personnel, as well as to the Fremont Fire and Rescue Departments and to the citizens we serve, for their support and interest.

Most importantly, my sincere appreciation goes to all dispatchers for their dedication, professionalism and total commitment to the Raymond Communications Center. Looking forward to a great 1998 with all of you.

***Respectfully submitted,
Pauline Gordon
Communications Director***

Dudley-Tucker Library

The Dudley-Tucker Library continues to serve both the community and the individual by focusing on customer service. As drastically as our library has changed in the past four years, much remains the same. We still focus on information, education and recreation. What is changing, is the way we accomplish this mission. Our revised goal is to effectively organize and distribute information and to ease the transition from a totally print environment to a print/digital environment. For librarians, as well as consumers, the information milieu is changing so rapidly that it is hard to keep up. As we make ourselves comfortable in this era of digital access, it is important that we keep our minds open -- learn all we can and continually review what we have learned.

In 1997, the Library networked two public access computers for card catalog searches and CD ROM research. In early 1998, Internet access will be available. The Trustees and staff have developed policies for these services, but will continue to revisit the Library's approach to all forms of digital access.

The Trustees and staff recognize the value of community cooperation and support. Special recognition and thanks go to: The Friends of the Library, Linda Sample, The Kingston Area Junior Women's Club, The Rockingham Herb Society, Coastal Materials, JCR Construction, Dec-Tech, Madore Electric, The Pines, Country Woods, Jewett Construction, Pauline Mongeon, the Bogrett Family, MacDonald's, Shop n' Save, Citizens Bank, the Story Time volunteers, the Munson Family, the Andrew Harmon Family, Bob McConn, and all the patrons who have remembered the Library in donations of print, video and audio materials.

1997 Statistics

Circulation:

Adult	19,622	
Juvenile	<u>32,996</u>	
Total	52,618	(Another Record Year !!!)

New Patron Registration	605
Average Monthly Attendance	1,712
New Materials Added to Collection	1,823
Special Programs	85
Attendance	1,103

*Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Brox
Director*

Fire Department

The Raymond Fire Department (RFD) responded to 250 calls last year, as follows:

Structure Fires	17	False Alarms	12	Gas/Propane Leaks	8
Chimney Fires	6	Mutual Aid	18	Electrical	10
Brush/Grass Fires/Smoke	22	Vehicle Fires	23	Appliance Fires	11
Smoke Reported	19	Jaws of Life	8	Vehicle Accidents	56
Alarm Activations	31	Miscellaneous	9		

The following 419 inspections are reported by Captain Paul Hammond:

Certificates of Occupancy	89	Foster/Day Care	21	Community Block Grant	31
Chimney/Fire Place/Wood Stove	71	Furnace: Gas & Oil	79	Tank Removal/Inspec.	16
Sprinkler Systems	35	Carbon Monoxide Tests	34	Fr Alrms/Smoke Dtctrs.	19
Places of Assembly	24				

Your Firefighters had a total of 250 calls during 1997. This reflects a decrease in calls from 1996. Part of the reason for this is day-time Firefighters able to respond to a number of smaller calls with one engine, without toning the entire department. Next year, a number will be given to this type call for reporting reasons. Another reason for the decrease (we hope) is that increased inspections and past inspection over 23 years have started to pay off in fewer and less severe calls. With the number of people and buildings climbing every year, the number of calls should be increasing. Fortunately, they are not.

The Suburban has received new brakes and a rebuilt transmission. This truck has over 150,000 miles and works 365 days a year without a break. The town has gotten its money's worth for this vehicle. The officers have put together a plan for replacement of the truck before it becomes too costly to maintain. We received the 1993 cruiser from the Police Department last year. Before we received the car, the engine failed and we had to replace it. The timing was very bad for the budget and replacement costs were being quoted at over \$2,500.00. The Firefighters Association took on the financing of the project. They approved \$1,000.00 to be used in the car's restoration. The engine was replaced at the fire station by the Firefighters for that amount. The vehicle is good on gas and is used for trips out of town and by me for daily business around town.

The search for the aerial truck has taken us all across the country. We use the Internet, trade magazines, and newspapers. We talked with our counterparts in other states and even called Nova Scotia. The problem was, we were finding the trucks too late, and truck dealers were reselling trucks at a large increase in cost. The Chief in Nashua heard of our search and we got the message to look at their Tower I. The Tower is a 1983 Hendrickson-FMC-LTI with a 1500 GPM pump and 100-foot platform. The Wal-Mart Distribution Center in our town gave the town \$200,000.00 at the completion of their construction. The money now is in a CD in the town's name. The interest will be used for necessary bodywork.

Forestry Truck I has had major transmission problems. The transmission is from the mid fifties and weighs several hundred pounds. We are in hopes of having this fixed before spring fire season.

The new computer system has been set up and information from town businesses is being entered as the Fire officers learn how to use the system. The "95" version of this software is available and will be installed before Town Meeting. Anyone interested in sending us information for the computer, or interested in a demonstration, please call 895-3321.

A goal we have been working on for ten years is to lower the town's ISO fire rating. This year we are the closest ever to achieving this objective. The last two trucks, two new Firefighters, and Tower, will go a long way to lowering our fire insurance rate.

The Firefighters of Raymond have been first-in-the-State in some areas this year. Several Firefighters passed the new level 1 and 2 classes in the State, with level 2 being held in Raymond. Also, the Fire Explorers were the first to stay overnight at the new State Fire Academy during classes.

The Firefighters had a great time this year during Fire Prevention Week at the Elementary school, the station and at Ben Franklin. Every class received a visit and training material, as well as a demonstration of a fire engine. The Firefighters, to everyone's delight, have had good luck in creating rainbows during the deck gun demonstration. Thanks to the efforts of Principal Roderick Crepeau, Nurse Paula Chouinard, Faye Hammond of Hoyt & Costello, and Bob Pawlusiak of Allstate, this year was very informative and a big success. The week finished at Ben Franklin store with a Safety Services Day with hats, coloring books, batteries, and Trick-or-Treat bags supplied by Karen and Richard Vinson. A reminder to all: Please test your detectors regularly and make sure that matches and lighters are out of the reach of children. Also, please call before any outside burning for a permit. State RSA 227-L:17 makes burning without a permit a misdemeanor punishable by fines of up to \$2,000.00 and/or a year in jail.

In closing, a special thanks to Home Town Friends, McDonalds, Shop n' Save, and CAP for their help with families that have lost homes during fires.

*Yours in Fire Protection
Kevin Pratt, Chief
Raymond Fire Department*

Raymond Firefighters

Kevin Pratt, Chief *
Paul Hammond, Capt. *
Keith Mulholland, Lieut. *
Richard R. Abelli
Adam Brackett
Wayne Larrabee
David Hall
Mark Munroe
Dan Olivier
Chuck Perkins
Kerry Pratt
Rick Sahlin, Jr.

Wayne Welch, Dep. Chief
Mike Williams, Capt.
Micol Greenwood, Lieut.
Ray Archambault
Gerard Gallant
Jason Grant
David Dion
Steve McGrath
Rick Sahlin, Sr.
Philip Talbot
Brian Thorsell

Paul Welch, Dep. Chief
Bill Hoitt, Capt.
Richard C. Abelli
Brian Dion
Steve Gagnon
Russ Hawkes
Robert McConn
Scott Payne *
Allen Smith
Richard Toscano
Bruce Welch

* Full-time

Parks & Recreation Department

I have to admit, I have trouble planning meals for myself. Planning meals for large groups of teenagers is an adventure in itself. This year while working out the menu for a three day backpacking trip to the AMC's Carter Notch Hut, Brian and I were discussing canned tuna and whether it would make a good lunch choice. A parent (whom we will call Inga Swenson to protect her anonymity and insure my life is worth a plugged nickel) overheard our discussion and said, "Not tuna! My son Lamar HATES tuna!"

Not that Inga would ever try to influence our planning, but we decided that we would develop a bogus menu with all kinds of wonderful things on it, just to keep her happy. Keep in mind, we are hiking four miles into the woods at an elevation of 3000 feet. The fake menu included steak tips, baked potatoes ("Of course we're bringing sour cream!"), corn on the cob, barbecued chicken, lobster rolls, etc. Have I mentioned that Inga is a *little* gullible?

Well, she bought it all, "hook, line, and eggs, bacon and home fries for breakfast"! The only problem she had was keeping all this stuff cold. "Oh, we're bringing a cooler ... you have a smaller one than the HUGE soccer cooler? . . . that's great . . . we'd love to borrow it." The day of the trip, we loaded up the Kraft macaroni and cheese, spaghetti with powdered sauce, bagels and peanut butter, and non-perishable foods into everyone's packs. (No, we didn't bring tuna) and headed off to Carter Notch.

Now Lamar (also a fake name to protect his mother), who likes a good joke himself, did not have to be convinced to take part in our little charade. In fact, he eagerly joined in!! The hike in went well -- it was a beautiful July day. We got to the hut and settled in for the night and a dinner of pasta, sauce with pepperoni, and garlic pita bread. (Lamar loved it!)

As usual, the summer program was very popular, with nearly 600 of Raymond's young people participating in 43 trips (7 of them overnights) during the 7 weeks of summer fun. Daily events and activities kept young people from first through ninth grade occupied with a fun-filled summer. The division of the playground into two programs went well and eliminated a great many problems. The swim program has continued to grow and even includes winter swim lessons.

By far, one of the most popular expansions to Recreation Facilities was the Liberty Skateboard Park. Built with a grant from Rockingham County, donations and volunteer labor from Coastal Materials, Kuffa Construction, Wal-Mart, and Radio Grove Hardware, the park has become a popular addition to the community.

The various youth organizations have grown and grown over the past year with ever increasing numbers. The new soccer field at the Cammett Complex, built with a matching funds grant from the State and fundraising by the Raymond Youth Soccer Club, was seeded in the Fall of 1997 and should be ready for play in the Fall of 1998. Adult programs continue with their popularity, and a new women's soccer team is a welcome addition. The ski and snowboard program has been filled to capacity, with 28 trips during the winter of 1997.

Volunteers are an important part of the Recreation Program, and the countless hours of hard work and dedication show up in all kinds of ways. It is hard to think of a program that does not involve some level of volunteers. We could not run without the help and support of these people. You all know who you are -- Thank you.

As part of my job, one of the most rewarding things that I do is dealing with young people. They keep me energized and excited about my work. Also as part of my job, I do a lot of overnight trips. I have a rule that I use on overnight trips. The longer I have to stay up and deal with kids after lights out, the earlier, and more I will enjoy, waking up the guilty parties in the morning. After dragging a couple of boys out on the porch in their sleeping bags at sunrise (I don't like being waked up at 4 am, either) we climbed up and over Carter Dome to the top of Mt. Height - an elevation of 4843 feet. The views of the snow in Tuckerman's Ravine were spectacular.

During the day we called in as we were scheduled to do, and Inga asked how her son Lamar was doing. "Oh, he's ok. His shoulder is getting a little bit sore from carrying that cooler the whole way." "You're making *him* carry it ?!" Sure, it was *his* mother's idea. During the next day's call, Lamar told his mother that his shoulder was better because they had eaten a lot of the food from the cooler, some of the ice had melted, and it was a lot lighter. Inga was very relieved.

The trip to Carter Notch, as with most of our adventure trips, was a tremendous success, with a great many laughs and lots of fun. The trips are a great way for young people to learn by challenging themselves in a safe environment.

***Respectfully submitted,
Richard C. Bates, Director
Raymond Parks & Recreation Dept.***

P. S. Lamar did not escape unjoked upon during the trip. Just prior to loading the van, Brian hid a ten-pound boulder in Lamar's pack. Poor Lamar thought he had carried it the whole trip. He took it all in stride, though. Like his mother, Ingar, he's a good sport.

Planning Board

The Planning Board has had a very productive year. The Board has worked on six subdivisions, several site plans including plans for a New Baptist Church, and two elderly housing projects. The Board has updated the Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations. Several changes also have been proposed for the 1998 Zoning Ordinance.

In 1997 the Planning Board, with assistance from our Planning Consultant, began preliminary work on the update of the Raymond Master Plan. The last update of the Master Plan occurred in 1989. The Town has allocated a modest amount of funds for this effort. Work activities included gathering population and economic data along with basic land use information. In an effort to involve town residents in the planning process, the Board organized and conducted the following three planning forums:

- May 8, 1997 Overview of the Master Plan Process and review of the Community Survey
- July 31, 1997 Land Use and Geographic Information System
- October 16, 1997 Discussion of Planning Goals and Objectives

These activities provided the Planning Board with a focus to continue forward with the master plan update into 1998. While many residents stated that the town should strongly expand its commercial, industrial and light manufacturing base, some others recognized that such growth would foster additional residential development and could lead to an increase in school enrollments, thus impacting the town's tax base.

In November of 1996, the Board of Selectmen requested that the Planning Board work toward development of a Sexually Oriented Business Ordinance. The Board diligently reviewed suggested text and discussed ramifications of such an ordinance. After several meetings, the Planning Board agreed that the language contained in the suggested text was inappropriate even for the ordinance. The Planning Board has proposed text that would be inserted into the Site Plan Regulations as a way to deal with the potential situation. The Board intends to adopt this amendment to the Site Plan Regulations in the spring of 1998.

Planning Board meetings are held on Thursday evenings at the Town Office Building. We extend an invitation to each and every resident to attend a meeting in 1998. Our meetings always are open and your input is welcome! Help us to make your town a better place to live in 1998!

***Respectfully submitted,
Diane E. White, Chairman
Raymond Planning Board***

Police Department

The year 1997 has been one of many changes for the Raymond Police Department. In January, Chief James C. Murphy left to assume the duties of Chief of Police in Newcastle, New Hampshire. Under Chief Murphy's leadership, the police department had taken many steps to increase the level of service provided to the citizens by addressing the staffing and equipment deficiencies the department faced.

During the months that the Chief's position was vacant, and during which secretary Sarah Chapman was out due to any injury, the employees of the department, headed by Lt. David T. Salois, struggled to maintain a high level of service to the citizens of the community. All citizens should be proud of the team effort during this period.

Upon my appointment, my first task was to take stock of the department and to continue to have it focused toward the goal of always increasing the level of service provided to the citizens of Raymond. After a review of the needs of the department and a review of the budget status, a number of changes were made. The fleet was updated with equipment that would make the officers more efficient in performing their duties. All officers were issued and trained in the use of the expandable baton. And a new training schedule was adopted in an effort to increase our professionalism.

Also during this time, a businessman who wished to remain anonymous donated four rifles to the Police Department, to increase officer safety after the tragic deaths of three New Hampshire law enforcement officers in August.

As we entered the budget season, we looked at how the Raymond Police Department stood in relation to other agencies in communities of the same size in New Hampshire and other areas of the nation. We found out that Raymond is below the national low level at numbers of officers per 1000 population. The national average number of police officers for a community of our size is 20 to over 25 full-time police officers. The national low for our population is between 16 and 20 officers. We in Raymond have 12 full-time officers. This fact of life means that, even though our officers are adequately trained and equipped, one officer can be in only one place at one time. Also, the fact that patrol officers have been handling Animal Control calls for the past four months compounds the situation. The result of our low staffing level is that patrol coverage is sparse, response time can be excessive, and investigation of incidents can take a long time. Your department is working hard to provide service to the community, but the community needs to understand why we cannot provide prompt service at certain times. The budget we prepared for 1998 attempts to start addressing these issues, and I invite any citizen to talk to me about the Police Department, to talk to our officers, and to tour your safety complex.

At the end of the year, a problem developed that only further aggravates our staffing problems. Three full-time officers - one quarter of the department - resigned to go to other communities due to the low pay and benefits provided them in Raymond. In looking at other New Hampshire communities, it was obvious that Raymond is far behind in these areas. Until the community addresses these problems, Raymond will continue to be a training ground for new officers. I believe that the cost to the community for us to be a training ground is a waste of taxpayer money that could better be spent elsewhere.

As the year closes, I would like to thank all the town officials, citizens, town employees,

and members of the police department, along with all those outside agencies that assisted me in my first six months in Raymond. These six months have been challenging, and the future looks to be the same, but I am confident that, if everyone works together for the good of the community, Raymond will have a very bright future.

***Respectfully submitted,
Stephen M. Agrafiotis
Chief of Police, Raymond Police Dept.***

Department Members

Lt. David Salois	Sgt. Shawn J. Coope	Officer Jonathan Kelly
Det. Rosemary Millard	Officer Timothy Craig	Officer David Spinney
Officer Jason Newman	Officer Steven McPherson	Officer Robert McMullen
Officer Jason Larochelle	Secretary Sarah Chapman	

Offences/Incidents

Sexual Assaults/Adults	8	Runaways	53
Simple Assaults	125	Animal Calls	685
Aggravated Assaults	1	Alarms	394
Thefts	51	Criminal Trespass	34
Motor Vehicle Thefts	6	Missing Persons	7
Arsons	4	Motorist Assists	44
Drug Offenses	51	Mutual Aid	261
Motor Vehicle Accidents	183	D.W.I. Arrests	49
Motor Vehicle Accidents (fatal)	2	Protective Custody	79
Motor Vehicle Stops	2,070		

Public Works

1997 found the Public Works Department positioning itself for its move into the twenty-first century. More and more, the individual departments which make up Public Works have embraced greater challenges and attained higher goals. Each year the bar is raised a little higher, and each year the employees of the departments meet the various challenges.

The Cemetery Department continued with its overall plan to improve the town's cemeteries. Repaving the access roads continued and, save for a small section, the entire active portion of the New Pine Grove Cemetery's roads have been repaved. Work on the Old Pine Grove Cemetery access drives is scheduled to begin in 1998. Ten new trees were planted in the two cemeteries - five in each. Over the past several years, almost thirty new trees have been planted. It is anticipated that this program will continue well into the future, resulting in a reforestation of the cemeteries to a point similar to their conditions at the beginning of the twentieth century. Cutting, trimming, raking, weeding, watering and all the other tasks required to keep the cemeteries looking good continue under the capable direction of Vicki Green and Thomas Lee Krantz.

The Water Department made improvements to the system's chemical feed pumps in an effort to address iron and manganese problems associated with increased pumping rates. A leak detection program was initiated and located several leaks, which subsequently were repaired by the Water and Highway Department staffs. Engineering studies commissioned by the department and performed by its consultant, Earthtech, identified the need for additional pumping capacity and securement of alternative water sources. The department's 1988 pickup truck was passed on to the Recreation Department for a few more years of town service and a new one-ton utility truck was put into service. This change has allowed the on-duty water technician to carry an increased array of parts and tools, resulting in more timely and efficient system and service repairs. The department continues to be operated by Peter Dyrkacz and Richard Audette, both working in a part time capacity. It is anticipated that their efforts will be augmented by a full time water foreman in 1998. Further changes for 1998 include standby power at the pump house and an altitude valve installed on the Orchard Street standpipe.

The Solid Waste Department continues to provide weekly curbside trash collection and weekend processing of recyclables, construction debris and burnables. In conjunction with the Solid Waste/Recycling Committee, a number of events such as the Paint Drop and Swap, Furniture Swap, and Household Hazardous Waste Collection were held. The department continues to be headed by George Boutilier doing double duty as full time highway equipment operator and senior recycling attendant. Assisting George is his capable staff of part time employees, Fred Davis, Roland Boone and Mayhew Eaton. Look for pavement of the facility's entrance drive in the future.

The Highway Department addressed a number of new tasks, each with a high degree of success. Road improvements in the Governor's Lake area continued with substantial reconstruction of Woodlawn Road being performed by the department's staff and assistance from a subcontracted excavator. The work on Woodlawn Drive consisted of complete removal of the existing road pavement surface, partial removal of unsuitable materials, substantial sloping of shoulders and return slopes, regravelling of road surfaces, and repaving of the straightened, widened, smoothed and stabilized road surface. Look for this

level of reconstruction to continue next year up to the next turn in West Shore Drive. The gravel portion of Blueberry Hill Road saw improvements in drainage and width. The right of way was cleared of a majority of growth, allowing for improved sight lines, greater sunlight exposure and easier ditch line maintenance. Another first for the Highway Department this year was construction of curbing and sidewalk on the east side of Church Street, from Main Street to Horseshed Road. Again the department staff performed the lion's share of the project by cutting the original road surface, removing existing asphalt, backfilling and compacting with suitable granular materials, and repaving the roadway. The only portions of this project not handled by the department were providing and setting of the granite curbing, and installation of the concrete pavers. Due to the department's efforts, this project was brought in substantially under budget and provides a pleasing and safe walkway on Church Street.

Poplar Drive, Donna Lane, Glen Ridge Road, Kula Court, and Kristy Court were shimmed and overlaid with ditchline and drainage improvements preceding said repairs. Epping Street was overlaid with an additional course of wearing asphalt.

Substantial changes were made to the department's rolling stock, including replacement of the twenty-one year old 1976 Mack Dump Truck with a new 1997 Chevrolet six wheel dump truck of similar configuration. The 1988 John Deere backhoe was traded in for a 1997 Case backhoe of greater capacity and versatility. Also, Truck 8, the 1988 Ford Ranger, was transferred to the Cemetery Department and replaced with a one ton utility truck identical to the Water Department's new vehicle except that it's equipped with a salt/sand spreader. This vehicle will allow the Foreman to be more responsive to service call-outs.

The department looks forward to the replacement of Pecker Bridge in 1998, after one year of design and three years of funding appropriation. The Department welcomed into its ranks Mr. Craig Sykes. Craig's is the first new position added to the Highway Department since 1992. Craig joins Alan Fenstermaker in the Fleet Maintenance Department for half of his time, with the remaining time employed assisting Dick Davis, Bill Hoitt, Bob Payette, Scott Keddy and Kevin Hammond with the myriad duties associated with the Highway Department. This nucleus of full time employees is assisted by a corps of part time drivers and wingmen who assist with snow removal activities during major storm events. 1997 saw the department handle twenty-nine winter storm events, with a total of 88 inches of snow fall.

The Building Service Department contracted out the roofing of the Old Highway Garage to Mayo Roofing of Concord. No longer will the Highway Department staff be able to say, "When it rains it pours... inside!". The replacement of air conditioning/heating units in the Town Office Building continued with replacement of the Recreation Department's unit, which was replaced after it caught on fire. Other departments within the complex were instructed that this is not the preferred method of acquiring new units. Building services is headed up by Brian Arnold, who splits his time between this department and recreation. Assisting Brian part time by providing limited custodial services are Meri-Lyn and David Rousseau.

I would like to thank the residents of Raymond for the opportunity to address their Public Works needs, my staff of full and part time employees who make it all possible each day, my secreatry Denise O'Grady, and the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager who provide the necessary direction and support.

***Respectfully Submitted,
Dennis G. McCarthy, Director
Public Works Department***

Raymond Ambulance, Inc.

The officers and membership of Raymond Ambulance would like to take this opportunity to wish you and yours a very exciting and progressive 1998. It doesn't seem possible that twelve months have passed since we last updated you on our activities.

We continue to work and train closely with our Fire and Police Department personnel, in an effort to more effectively serve the needs of our community. This past year also brought us new members from our Fire and Police Departments, as well as residents of our town.

The year has been very challenging and exciting for us in the Emergency Medical Services world. It has brought many changes both in the training we have undertaken as well as in the treatment that we as EMT's are able to provide to the people of Raymond. State and National certification requirements continue to demand more and more training by our personnel, and we continue to fulfill these requirements to maintain the highest level of care for the residents of Raymond.

In addition to the required training we have undertaken, and our desire to continually improve our service, six of our members have completed the course of study and certification process to elevate themselves to the EMT Intermediate level. One member is currently enrolled in the EMT Paramedic training program. We have continued our commitment in many community activities over the last year, including teaching Adult CPR, Infant and Child CPR, and First Responder classes, and sponsoring Raymond's EMS Explorer Post. We have taught special classes for civic groups, Head Start, and the Boy Scouts of America. We support the local DARE program, school related activities, Red Cross Blood drives, and the 1997 Fire Prevention Week activities.

This year's special community project, currently underway, is called "The Vial of Life". This program is primarily targeted at our elderly population and community members with serious medical conditions. As time and manpower permit, our goal is to visit each and every household within our community to deliver this program.

The staff of Raymond Ambulance are your friends and neighbors, trained to respond to and treat your family when medical emergencies arise. It is our goal to provide the Town of Raymond with the best Emergency Medical Service possible. To reach this goal requires three things: many hours of personal commitment by each and every member of the Raymond Ambulance; a great personal commitment by the families of our members; and, lastly, the support of each and every member of our community. Your continued financial support helps to keep the service on track, but it is the words of thanks, in the form of cards and letters, that keep our members energized.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jean Larrabee, President
Raymond Ambulance, Inc.*

Recycling and Solid Waste Committee

The year 1997 has been a year of changes for the Recycling Committee. The Committee lost our very supportive Selectmen's Representative, Roberta Johnson. Roberta has taken a break from public office. Our committee and the town have benefited from her vast knowledge and years of experience. We extend a heartfelt Thank You to Roberta, and hope to persuade her to join us as a private citizen.

We also have lost one of our most energetic and hard working members - Steve Couture. Steve has moved out of the area and is continuing to pursue his college education. We hope that working with our committee was educational for Steve. We have enjoyed his enthusiasm and drive. Thank you, Steve.

On a happier note, this year we gained a new member - John Buckley. Welcome, John.

We held two "Swap Shops" this year. These events were held at the transfer station on Prescott Road in conjunction with the annual Spring and Fall Clean-up Days. With the Swap Shop, everyone wins. Some residents get a chance to clean out their houses and drop furniture at the swap. Other residents can take treasures for free. And the town saves the tipping fee. We hope to offer this popular event again in 1998.

We were able to have a Household Hazardous Waste Day again this year, in the parking lot of the elementary school. This event was a flop. We had poor participation from residents. It may have been the weather - it poured buckets, or it may have been poor publicity or the fact that we had held one the previous year.

Pay-Per-Bag has not gone away. The proposal is on the back burner, soon to become a hot issue in town. Stay tuned for more details.

Thank you to all the wonderful members of the Recycling Committee and the town employees, and to all the residents of Raymond that we serve. We invite more of you to join us and to share your thoughts and ideas with us.

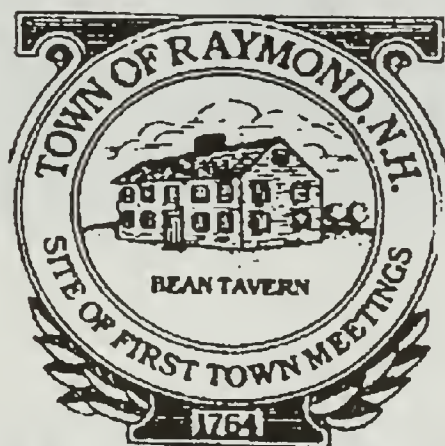
***Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen McDonald, Chairman
Recycling and Solid Waste Committee***

Membership

Jane Anzalone
Kathleen Chamberlain
Maureen Lundergan

John Buckley
Marilyn Elliott
Joy Paquin

Vital Statistics



1997 Births Registered For the Town of Raymond

Date	Child's Name	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Place of Birth
January				
4	Jeremiah Edward Boulter	Linda Jean Kervin	Edward Kent Boulter	Exeter, N. H.
9	Sarah Ann McConn	Lori Lynn Boyce	Robert Gregory McConn	Exeter, N. H.
23	James Andrew Richard	Pamela Marie Turner	George Joseph Richard	Exeter, N. H.
27	Brandon Michael Zahler	Marie Louise Belanger	Marc David Zahler	Nashua, N. H.
28	Elizabeth Katherine Lahr	Sandra Ann Coito	Eric Richard Lahr	Manchester, N. H.
February				
4	Alanna Dian Gray	Christina Marie Uruski	Scott Cameron Gray	Exeter, N. H.
7	Ashley Danielle Perron	JuAnne Lucille Marion	Roger Raymond Perron	Manchester, N. H.
10	Bradley Jay Newton	Sheryl Ann Campbell	Charles Jay Newton	Exeter, N. H.
13	Cassandra Lyn Hayward	Katrineen Marie Sherry	James Edward Hayward	Manchester, N. H.
19	Jaclynne Taylor Carideo	Danielle Renee Gaudreau	Robert Alan Carideo	Exeter, N. H.
20	Devin William Carlson	Shannon Charmaine Young	Eric Rodney Carlson	Exeter, N. H.
21	David James Comrie	Joan Elizabeth Kely	Scott Allen Comrie	Exeter, N. H.
23	Andrew Paul Tomarchio	Melissa Ann Gallo	Philip Rory Tomarchio	Exeter, N. H.
March				
2	Jacob Paul Carter	Michelle Leigh Beaudette	Jason John Carter	Exeter, N. H.
3	Sofia Lucia Ragonese	Alfina Roberta Lucifora	John Anthony Ragonese	Exeter, N. H.
6	James Andrew Owen, III	Wendy Frances Castiglione	James Andrew Owen, II	Exeter, N. H.
10	Leland James Dunmyer	Robyn Marie Soucy	Douglas Jay Dunmyer	Exeter, N. H.
12	Powell Clayton Wilson	Linda Rose Fournier	Robert Scott Wilson	Manchester, N. H.
14	Margaret Ann Hughes	Maryann Santos	Keith Palmer Hughes	Exeter, N. H.
18	Patricia Marie Poitras	Thelma Marie Eppig	Kevin Douglas Poitras	Exeter, N. H.
19	Sidney Henderson, IV	Colleen Erin McMullen	Sidney Henderson, III	Exeter, N. H.
26	Tucker Scott MacPherson	Teresa Louise Sawyer	Scott Parker MacPherson	Exeter, N. H.
April				
2	Jaclynn Amber Lemieux	Heidi Kay Sylvester	Andrew Shaw Lemieux	Exeter, N. H.
6	Robert Michael Davis	Kerry Jean Dinnocenzo	Robert Frederick Davis	Exeter, N. H.
8	Matthew Ernest Merchant	Karen Marie Storer	John Ernest Merchant	Exeter, N. H.
11	Matthew James Corning	Ellen Ann Torpey	Robert Harrison Corning	Derry, N. H.
24	Bradley Stephen Richard	Deborah Ann Lamb	Daniel John Richard	Manchester, N. H.

Date	Child's Name	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Place of Birth
April (cont.)				
24	Zachery Ronald Quimby	Kimberly Ann Colson	James Edward Quimby	Manchester, N. H.
25	William Richard Harmon	Deborah Marie Hulit	Andrew James Harmon	Manchester, N. H.
29	Nicholas Bernard Joseph Jordan	Debora Joan McCarthy	Bernard Michael Jordan	Exeter, N. H.
May				
10	Lee Morris Esmiol	Elizabeth Keli Kilfoyle	Matthew Adam Esmiol	Exeter, N. H.
11	Shannon Elizabeth Murphy	Jennifer Alice Bronson	James Donald Murphy	Exeter, N. H.
14	Hannah Abigail Small	Christy Lynn Cahill	Stephen Arthur Lee Small	Derry, N. H.
15	James Edward Grabowski	Debra Susan Pilette	John Edward Grabowski	Manchester, N. H.
16	Justin Matthew Oliver	Lorry Ann Richardson	Lester Leroy Oliver	Exeter, N. H.
17	Joseph Francis Michelin, IV	Kimberly Ann Waring	Joseph Francis Michelin	Exeter, N. H.
19	Logan James Kurr	Tara Louise Emerson	Ronald Douglas Kurr	Exeter, N. H.
20	Hayden Michael Potorski	Melinda Ann Field	Michael Scott Potorski	Exeter, N. H.
21	Devon William Toland	Heather Lynn Meroth	William Joseph Toland, Jr.	Manchester, N. H.
22	Emily Ann Roman	Ann Marie Sweeney	David Erik Roman	Exeter, N. H.
27	Brandon Michael Kimball	Sylvia Marie Desantis	Michael Anthony Kimball	Exeter, N. H.
June				
1	Eric Joseph Bolduc	Debra Jeanne Kelly	Ricky Joseph Bolduc	Exeter, N. H.
5	Riley Michael Soucy	Pauline Emily Cloutier	Michael Stephen Soucy	Manchester, N. H.
6	Lucas Thomas Dorilas Poulin	Deanna Elizabeth Puzzo	Marc Poulin	Manchester, N. H.
8	Jillian Elaine Dupras	Lori Anne Romel	Alan Frederick Dupras, Jr.	Manchester, N. H.
11	Ian Gold MacAlpine	Cynthia Helen Vacca	Graig Gilliland MacAlpine	Exeter, N. H.
13	Daniel John Burgess	Donna Lynn Christo	Edward John Burgess	Exeter, N. H.
16	Brianna Violet Nigl	Lisa Anne DeWolfe	Karl Hans Nigl	Derry, N. H.
23	Taylor Elizabeth Brewitt	Kari Dolores Nicholas	John Jay Brewitt	Exeter, N. H.
27	David Harrison Coe	Nancy Harrison	Thomas Edward Coe	Exeter, N. H.
July				
1	Sara Elizabeth Westmoreland	Nicole Elyse Painchaud	Daniell Patrick Westmoreland	Manchester, N. H.
1	Ashlyn Paige Westmoreland	Nicole Elyse Painchaud	Daniell Patrick Westmoreland	Manchester, N. H.
2	Taylor Frederick Searles	Jillian Marie Begg	Frederick Henry Searles, III	Manchester, N. H.
3	Anna Concetta Haber	Jill Renee Bellemore	Bruce Alan Haber	Manchester, N. H.
3	Melissa Marie McCarthy	Patricia Ann Pillsbury	John James McCarthy	Exeter, N. H.
11	Kalib Chandos Stevens	Kristina Anne Minor	David Clayton Stevens	Exeter, N. H.
13	Colleen Judith O'Connor	Lisa Marie Bishop	David Alan O'Connor	Manchester, N. H.
21	Kiara Brooke Jutras	Marla Rae Kurisko	Thomas Gerard Jutras	Nashua, N. H.
August				
3	Nicholas Jeffrey Smith	Marjorie Ann Thoeke	Jeffrey Gilmore Smith	Exeter, N. H.

Date	Child's Name	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Place of Birth
August (cont.)				
9	Joshua Michael Brown	Tammie Sue Bunnell	Jason Leslie Brown	Portsmouth, N. H.
20	Cotey Scott Neeper	Darcy Elizabeth Marchant	Jay Laumer Neeper	Exeter, N. H.
21	Ashley Marie Nicholson	Darlene Marie Blades	Steven Allen Nicholson	Exeter, N. H.
22	Bryan Douglas fyfe	Sandra Jean Krasowski	Thomas Martin Fyfe	Exeter, N. H.
26	Samantha Jeanne Robey	Denise Marie Dearborn	Donald Armand Robey, II	Exeter, N. H.
26	Charles Edward Morin	Alana Marie Rapaglia	Eric Paul Morin	Exeter, N. H.
September				
3	Thomas Daniel Mercier	Beverly Ann Mannin	Edward Roger Mercier, Jr.	Derry, N. H.
10	Austin Nicholas White	Renee Diane Bennett	William Randall White	Exeter, N. H.
12	Tucker Angus MacLaughlin	Jennifer Joann Branca	Steven Angus MacLaughlin	Exeter, N. H.
12	Emily Kate Lavoie	Cynthia Meehan	Paul Lavoie	Exeter, N. H.
26	Cooper Charles Binette	Elaine Carol Taglianetti	Roger William Binette, Jr.	Derry, N. H.
30	Patricia Marie Elizabeth Brown	Regina Elizabeth Bubar	Gregory James Brown	Derry, N. H.
October				
6	Jerrold Taylor Freeman	Mary Louise Reed	Rodney Terrence Freeman	Concord, N. H.
12	Rachel Anne Laughner	Julie Marie Lessard	James Frank Laughner, Jr.	Manchester, N. H.
21	McKayla Kathleen Eleanor O'Gara	Colleen Ann Vinnacombe	John Thomas O'Gara, Jr.	Manchester, N. H.
23	Casey Arthur Gervais	Tammi Lyn Daigle	Philip Arthur Gervais	Dover, N. H.
30	Haleigh Lynn Caceres	Kristan Dawn Colson	Bruce Lawrence Caceres	Manchester, N. H.
November				
2	Jacqueline Rachael Fotino	Janet Marie Sedlar	Stephen Michael Fotino	Manchester, N. H.
7	Calvin Avery Langford	Catherine Christine Lospennato	Ted Kevin Langford	Manchester, N. H.
20	Richard James Brewitt	Denise Anne Daly	Miguel John Brewitt	Exeter, N. H.
24	Victoria Rose Maille	Jerrilee Nickerson	Kevin Maille	Manchester, N. H.
25	Tanner Leighton Rollins	Michelle Yvonne Roy	Jason Arthur Rollins	Exeter, N. H.
26	Brandon Timothy Richard Moreau	Shannon Kathleen Murphy	Derek Clinton Albert Moreau	Exeter, N. H.
30	Brian Scott Gordon	Leslie June Cusson	David George Gordon	Manchester, N. H.
December				
3	Erik John Gallagher	Teri Ann Dignard	Donald Armend Gallagher	Exeter, N. H.
10	Breauna Mae Munroe	Renee Carol Ross	James Michael Munroe	Exeter, N. H.
21	Katelyn Noel McCoolle	Lisa Jean St. Louis	Daniel David McCoolle	Exeter, N. H.
26	Riley Marie Brazeau	Davinney Capman	Michael Brazeau	Manchester, N. H.
29	Victoria Claire Webb	Patricia Ann Riley	Robert Kenneth Webb	Exeter, N. H.
29	Emily Hope Nicholson	Jody Cheryl Feinman	Barton Ross Nicholson	Exeter, N. H.

1997 Deaths Registered For the Town of Raymond

Date	Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
January				
2	Helen V. Moulton	Manchester, N. H.	Nils Matson	Elsie Danielson
4	Barbara F. Listro	Raymond, N. H.	William Russell	Pauline Gaudet
8	Shannon Ann Serani	Raymond, N. H.	Santo Serani	Sandra Budka
14	Virginia Leach	Hampton, N. H.	Edgar Wheeler	Bertha M. Sullivan
25	Bessie May Downing	Manchester, N. H.	William Ward Bond	Ethel Dewitt
26	Jason-Kurt Ivey	Epping, N. H.	Milton Wayne Ivey	Wanda Espey
February				
12	Marie J. Colby	Raymond, N. H.	Francois X. Legare	Melinda Bruneau
15	Josiah R. Gordon	Manchester, N. H.	Josiah F. Gordon	Rosebell Prescott
18	Lucille Anne O'Brien	Raymond, N. H.	Patrick T. Leonard	Mary Rose Boisvert
20	Norma June Desmarais	Raymond, N. H.	Jacob M. Phillips, Jr.	Unknown
25	Florence Raymond	Brentwood, N. H.	Clinton Jones	Maude E. Williams
March				
2	Ray Logan Dotson	Exeter, N. H.	Hugh Dotson	Mabel Rumrill
11	Patricia A. Forsing	Manchester, N. H.	Louis Day	Theresa Cote
16	Ian Stewart Burns	Franklin, N. H.	William Burns	Lynn Kimball
22	Henry Eugene Titcomb	Exeter, N. H.	Harold Titcomb	Lena Wiebel
April				
3	Audrey M. Zenor	Manchester, N. H.	Ralph M. Stacy	Irene E. Kelley
9	Jean Marie Glover	Derry, N. H.	John T. Bunker	Emily R. Enos
16	Romeo Yvon Frechette	Raymond, N. H.	Wilfrid Frechette	Marie Louise Boissoneault
16	Diane Smith	Raymond, N. H.	Edward Jewell	Leona Samuelson
21	James A. Gray	Brentwood, N. H.	James Gray	Georgina Broadhead
24	Marjorie E. Colby	Raymond, N. H.	Arthur Whitney	Anna Moore
24	Robert Matthew Casey	Hampton, N. H.	George Casey	Stella Devine
29	Richard Alan Chase	Exeter, N. H.	Ted Chase	Lillian Maberry
May				
5	Etta Noreen Titcomb	Exeter, N. H.	Frank Bartlett	Hazel Glover
9	John Henry Croteau	Portsmouth, N. H.	John Henry Croteau	Dora Wheeler
23	Russell Wheadon	Dover, N. H.	John L. Wheadon	Lillie Plant
27	Mary Elizabeth Landis	Exeter, N. H.	Harry S. Emery	Emma Laura Wilson

Date	Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
June				
12	Maurice J. Richard, Jr.	Manchester, N. H.	Maurice J. Richard, Sr.	Susan Hatcher
12	Leona Marie Abdoo	Raymond, N. H.	Unknown Benoit	Opal Unknown
July				
13	Ruth Marden Newton	Raymond, N. H.	Ralph C. Marden	Eda Mae Hathaway
29	Leah E. Whelan	Caribou, ME	Francis M. Whelan	Sandra Ward
August				
4	Gordon K. Smith	Exeter, N. H.	Edwin Smith	Effie Kears
10	Ronald Basil Muise	Raymond, N. H.	John W. Muise	Jeannette Lizotte
24	Anna Stathos Minichiello	Raymond, N. H.	George Daston	Zenovia Karapatis
September				
3	Frederick Eugene Horne, Sr.	Raymond, N. H.	James F. Horne	Florence Abby Jones
6	Margaret Helen Larrabee	Raymond, N. H.	Richard Glavin	Auria O'Brien
10	Philip Albert Treantafel	Raymond, N. H.	George N. Treantafel	Virginia M. Bournival
15	Joseph John Pelonzi, Sr.	Manchester, N. H.	Edigio Pelonzi	Florinda Maglio
17	Evelyn Virginia Paquette	Exeter, N. H.	Thomas Porter	Sarah Jane Welch
21	Kathlyn Beverly Georgantis	Exeter, N. H.	Arvard Johnson	Mildred Sweeney
25	Roger Weller Williamson	Manchester, N. H.	Harry Williamson	Not Stated
October				
11	George Angelo Lake	Manchester, N. H.	George W. Lake	Delores Leonetti
12	Gilford William Weeks	Exeter, N. H.	Albert Weeks	Eva Van Slyke
13	Clarence Otto Bleich	Exeter, N. H.	William Bleich	Emma Rotz
21	Anna Gomes Marchant	Raymond, N. H.	Louis V. Gomes	Maria Gonsalves
29	Delma Simpson	Raymond, N. H.	Webster Kimball	Hattie Shirley
November				
2	Robert J. Clement	Derry, N. H.	Robert J. Clement	Lena Melanson
24	Ardella M. Charest	Brentwood, N. H.	Rodger Flanders	Ollie Fletcher
25	Frank Willis Rock	Manchester, N. H.	Charles Rock	Annie West
26	Barbara Ann Peloquin	Exeter, N. H.	Ralph Healey	Elizabeth Unknown
29	Mary Francena Richard	Raymond, N. H.	Fred Whicher	Josephine Lynch
December				
5	Frank V. Downing	Raymond, N. H.	Vernon Downing	Catherine Kemp
8	Denis Jean Claude Blais	Raymond, N. H.	Raphael Blais	Alexandrine Leecours
11	Melverda Mae Smith	Brentwood, N. H.	Everett Dearborn	Mabel Young
13	Leonard Bradley Wright	Raymond, N. H.	Albert Wright	Catherine Bradley

1997 Marriages Registered For the Town of Raymond

Date	Groom & Bride	Residence	Date	Groom & Bride	Residence
<u>January</u>			<u>April (cont.)</u>		
11	Gregory Robert Sloan	Niverville, N. Y.	5	Robert K. Webb	Raymond, N. H.
18	Barbara Ann Rothwein	Niverville, N. Y.		Patricia Ann Ricci	Raymond, N. H.
	John J. Brewitt, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.	12	Joseph Mose Ntengeri	Raymond, N. H.
18	Kari D. Nicholas	Fremont, N. H.		Angel Elizabeth Peel	Seabrook, N. H.
	Barry Joseph Queen	Raymond, N. H.	18	Daniel F. Crowley	Raymond, N. H.
	Keri-Lynn Stoecker	Raymond, N. H.		Julia H. Noviello	Raymond, N. H.
23	John David Bonczkiewicz	Epping, N. H.	26	Ryan P. McKinley	Raymond, N. H.
	Margaret Ann Bonczkiewicz	Raymond, N. H.		Heather Lee Swallow	Raymond, N. H.
<u>February</u>			28	Bruce L. Caceres	Raymond, N. H.
1	Royal Paul Malette, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.		Kristan D. Colson	Raymond, N. H.
	Jana Kay Pleasant	Raymond, N. H.	<u>May</u>		
13	John Edward Lynch	Raymond, N. H.	4	David James Lamontagne	Raymond, N. H.
	Donna Marie Maki	Raymond, N. H.		Kimberly Rowe	Derry, N. H.
14	Robert Gene Holmes	Raymond, N. H.	10	Donald Francis Bowley, Jr.	Danville, N. H.
	Lisa Marie Fazio	Raymond, N. H.		Rose Arvilla Horne	Raymond, N. H.
14	Tony Schmooch	Raymond, N. H.	15	Kalim Desir	Raymond, N. H.
	Diane Marie Simpson	Raymond, N. H.		Margaret Elizabeth Byrne	Raymond, N. H.
15	Richard Christopher Taylor	Raymond, N. H.	17	Todd M. Crane	Raymond, N. H.
	Jennifer Lee Pike	Raymond, N. H.		Tia Marie Greeley	Raymond, N. H.
15	Donald John Wallace	Raymond, N. H.	17	Richard S. Adams, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.
	Tori Ann Eaton	Raymond, N. H.		Irene M. Dunn	Raymond, N. H.
27	James D. Murphy	Raymond, N. H.	17	John Gary Summit	Raymond, N. H.
	Jennifer A. Bronson	Raymond, N. H.		Lynell Annette Sylvain	Raymond, N. H.
<u>March</u>			24	Lee Price Krantz	Raymond, N. H.
15	Daniel Michael Jones	Hillsboro, N. H.		Lori Ann Taft	Raymond, N. H.
	Malinda Lorene Potter	Raymond, N. H.	24	Jeffrey Thomas Grover	Raymond, N. H.
22	Edmond Raymond, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.		Juli Ann O'Donnell	Raymond, N. H.
22	Karyn Elizabeth Melofsky	Raymond, N. H.	<u>June</u>		
	Leo Michael Fitzgerald	Raymond, N. H.	6	James Michael Munroe	Raymond, N. H.
	Francine Diane Stilkey	Raymond, N. H.		Renee Carol Ross	Epping, N. H.
<u>April</u>			7	Michael Gary Brockney	Raymond, N. H.
5	Anthony Joseph Provenzano, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.		Angela Tonia Cervo	Raymond, N. H.
	Deborah Jean Devits	Raymond, N. H.			

Date	Groom & Bride	Residence	Date	Groom & Bride	Residence
<u>June (cont.)</u>					
7	Randall Scott Gaudette	Raymond, N. H.	<u>July (cont.)</u>	Gerard Joseph Gallant	Raymond, N. H.
8	Miranda Louise Bergeron	Raymond, N. H.		Anna Maria Grooson	Raymond, N. H.
	Leo Charles Vadnais	Manchester, N. H.	20	Abner Jewel Eaton	Raymond, N. H.
12	Amanda Patience Tidwell	Raymond, N. H.	24	Michelle Dianne Sweeney	Raymond, N. H.
	Frederick Henry Searles, III	Raymond, N. H.		Michael Vincent Hartley	Raymond, N. H.
13	Jillian Marie Bogg	Raymond, N. H.	26	Milissa Ann Pitman	Raymond, N. H.
	Dean Andrew Martin	Raymond, N. H.		Winthrop Ray True	Nottingham, N. H.
14	Kelli Corinne Waterman	Raymond, N. H.		Paula Anne Belair	Raymond, N. H.
	Christopher Barry Fraize	Waltham, MA	26	John James Bower, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.
	April Denise Baams	Waltham, MA		Leah Anne Sawyer	Raymond, N. H.
14	Andrew Edward Brown	Raymond, N. H.	26	John Walter Doherty	Raymond, N. H.
	Cassandra Giustra	Raymond, N. H.		Kelly Kristin Ludeking	Raymond, N. H.
14	Michael Joseph Flores	Raymond, N. H.	31	Chad Brian Carpentier	Raymond, N. H.
	Anne Marie Beaudoin	Derry, N. H.		Shelly Dawn Anderson	Manchester, N. H.
15	John Oscar Campbell, III	Raymond, N. H.	<u>August</u>		
	Michelle Lynn Healey	Raymond, N. H.	2	Charles Daniel Hall	Raymond, N. H.
15	Scott William Alexander	Raymond, N. H.		Caroline Jean Matterson	Haverhill, MA
	Tonia Marie Bennett	Raymond, N. H.	2	Andrew John Hussey	Somersworth, N. H.
21	Christopher Michael Troy	Raymond, N. H.		Jane C. Paradis	Raymond, N. H.
	Jacki Lynn Bushway	Raymond, N. H.	9	John Henry King, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.
21	Courtney MacDonad Bourn	Lynn, MA		Kerry Ellen Davin	Raymond, N. H.
	Kimberlee Ann Neary	Lynn, MA	13	Ricky Porter, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.
28	James Thomas Baylies	Exeter, N. H.		Amy Lynn Fenstormaker	Raymond, N. H.
	Kelly Marie Adams	Raymond, N. H.	15	Nicholas A. Moccia	Raymond, N. H.
28	Marc Richard Bernier	Raymond, N. H.		Carol Lee Morse	Raymond, N. H.
	Darlene Lee Culpopper	Raymond, N. H.	16	Matthew Philbrick	Raymond, N. H.
<u>July</u>					
3	Clifford Taylor	Raymond, N. H.		Toni L. Forguson	Northwood, N. H.
	Susan Mary Tomasz-Alper	Raymond, N. H.	23	Steven John Duda, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.
4	Michael L. Melanson	Raymond, N. H.		Patsy Marie Morneau	Newmarket, N. H.
	Debra A. Dudley	Raymond, N. H.	23	Allan Thomas Cavagnaro	Raymond, N. H.
5	Richard Douglas Lang	Raymond, N. H.		Lynn Ann Carignan	Raymond, N. H.
	Melissa Anne Plocuch	Raymond, N. H.	23	Michael M. Eaton	Raymond, N. H.
9	Timothy George Thornton	Raymond, N. H.		Jennifer Lynn Southor	Raymond, N. H.
	Nelda Ledger Arias	Raymond, N. H.	29	Clinton Lee Mackie	Raymond, N. H.
11	Richard Michael Caplette, II	Raymond, N. H.		Gina Ann Wado	Raymond, N. H.
	Katherine Rose Cmejla	Manchester, N. H.	30	William Ramsey Starace, Jr.	Raymond, N. H.
				Candace Jean Thibeault	Epping, N. H.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom & Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Groom & Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
<u>September</u>			<u>October (cont.)</u>		
7	Joseph Edward Lessard	Raymond, N. H.	30	Raymond George Summers	Raymond, N. H.
13	Elizabeth Cecelia Mandile	Raymond, N. H.		Andrea V. Skelly	Raymond, N. H.
	Kyle Fenton Phelan	Raymond, N. H.	30	John Forrest Knowles, III	Raymond, N. H.
13	April Lee Harnum	Raymond, N. H.		Theresa Ann Cranshaw	Raymond, N. H.
	William Frederick Gould	Raymond, N. H.	31	Keith Alan Nelson	Raymond, N. H.
20	Caryn Hope Berenson	Raymond, N. H.		Lakeata Rae Breese	Raymond, N. H.
	Peter Matthew Jutras	Raymond, N. H.	<u>November</u>		
20	Jennifer Lynn Gobin	Raymond, N. H.	13	Jean Roody Monta	Manchester, N. H.
	Michael Henry Jamet	Raymond, N. H.		Christine Lynn Coll	Raymond, N. H.
	Colleen Margaret McIsaac	Raymond, N. H.	15	Nelson C. Goldsmith	Raymond, N. H.
<u>October</u>				Mary A. Ferguson	Peabody, MA
4	Mark A. Aliberti	Raymond, N. H.	15	Christopher John Carpenter	Raymond, N. H.
	Michelle Murphy	Raymond, N. H.		Alyson Jennifer Ickes	Raymond, N. H.
7	Evans Rindoria	Raymond, N. H.	28	Wayne Jude Canino	Raymond, N. H.
	Agnes Nyakundi	Raymond, N. H.		Jami Merrill Allaire	Candia, N. H.
11	Raymond Craig Middleton	Billerica, MA	29	Jack Omar Norton	Raymond, N. H.
	Kimberly Lee Sliney	Billerica, MA		Melanie Dawn Reed	Raymond, N. H.
11	Keigh Leonard Hurrell	Raymond, N. H.	29	Stephen M. Cronin	Raymond, N. H.
	Jessica Leigh Hayes	Raymond, N. H.		Georgia M. Urdiales	Raymond, N. H.
12	Paul Alfred Boucher, Jr.	Nantucket, MA	29	Michael Bela Hadik	Chicago, IL
	Tracy Lee Reed	Nantucket, MA		Stephanie E. Langford	Raymond, N. H.
17	Michael Joseph Brazil	Raymond, N. H.	<u>December</u>		
	Tanya Lee Stempien	Raymond, N. H.	27	Keith David Langlois	Raymond, N. H.
18	Jeffrey R. Merry	Raymond, N. H.		Shirley Jo Everett	Raymond, N. H.
	Felice A. McCue	Raymond, N. H.	27	John Joseph Dellea	Raymond, N. H.
18	James Todd Bickford	Raymond, N. H.		Avis Eva Greenwood	Raymond, N. H.
	Janelle Sue Fairbrother	Raymond, N. H.	31	Stephen Michael Lee	Raymond, N. H.
18	Robert Edward Hoyt	Raymond, N. H.		Angela Rose Hoffmeister	Raymond, N. H.
	Susan Elaine Chabot	Raymond, N. H.	31	Robert A. Collins	Auburn, N. H.
19	Richard S. Ladd	Raymond, N. H.		Marci A. Collins	Auburn, N. H.
	Debbi R. Walsh	Raymond, N. H.			
25	Jay Anthony Warthen	Raymond, N. H.			
	Roxanne Dale Turner	Raymond, N. H.			
25	Edward William Kershaw	Raymond, N. H.			
	Lisel Ann Boucher	Raymond, N. H.			
25	Keith Alan Linscott	Raymond, N. H.			
	Patricia Ann Rheault	Raymond, N. H.			

TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN MEETING 1998
WARRANT ARTICLES

To the inhabitants of the Town of Raymond, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in the Town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School gymnasium in said Raymond on Saturday, the fourteenth (14) day of March 1998 at ten (10:00 a.m.) of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers, Library Trustees, Trustees of the Trust Funds and other Committees.
2. Shall we adopt an exemption for the totally and permanently disabled? The exemption, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers shall be \$25,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years and own and occupy the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$15,000 or, if married a combined net income of not more than \$25,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$40,000 excluding the value of the persons residence.
Submitted by Petition. By Ballot.
3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four million one hundred eight thousand five hundred thirty-three dollars (\$4,108,533) to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Said sum is exclusive of Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16.
Recommended by Board of Selectmen, not recommended by Budget Committee.
4. To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable general fund trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be know as the Cable TV Maintenance Fund, for the purpose of purchasing video and editing equipment, establishing the Raymond Cable TV Public, Education and Government (PEG) Channel and funding modifications to the High School to house said equipment and created studio, furthermore, to accept the sum of Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) from Media One for this purpose, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen as the agent to expend. **Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
5. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) of revenues from the Cable Franchise Fee to expenditures for the purpose of funding the budget of the Raymond Cable TV Committee. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Cable TV Maintenance Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of

the fund or source of revenue. **(Majority ballot vote.) Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**

6. To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a capital reserve fund (pursuant to RSA Chapter 35) for the future revaluation of the Town and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) toward this purpose, and to appoint the selectmen as agents to administer this fund. **Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of updating the Master Plan. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the Master Plan is updated or in 5 years, whichever is less. **Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to cover the reimbursable costs associated with Police activities, including but not limited to Police Special Details and grant programs. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. **Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-five thousand, four hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$45,427) to perform body work and purchase related fire equipment for the aerial platform (ladder) fire truck and to authorize the withdrawal of all interest from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the body work has been completed and related fire equipment has been purchased, or two years, whichever is less. The balance to come from general taxation. **Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One hundred fifty seven thousand eighty dollars (\$157,080), which represents the Towns receipt of funds from the State Highway Block Grant, for shim and overlay. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the shim and overlay work has been completed or in two years, which ever is less. **Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of sidewalk reconstruction in front of First Vermont Savings Bank and along Main Street from Wight Street to Old Manchester Road. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the sidewalk reconstruction is completed or two years whichever is less. **Recommended by the Selectmen, Not Recommended by the Budget Committee.**
12. To see it the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) which represents one-third (1/3) the Towns share to widen the intersection and to install control lights at Route 102/107/Essex Drive in conjunction with the State of New Hampshire. **Recommended by the Selectmen, Not Recommended by the Budget Committee.**

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-eight thousand, six hundred thirty-four dollars (\$58,643) in support of the following Social Service Agencies:
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| Seacoast Mental Health | 2,500 |
| Rockingham County Community Action | 16,770 |
| Lamprey Health Care | 5,800 |
| Area Homemaker health Aide Service | 4,500 |
| Child & Family Services (Rockingham Counseling Center) | 5,500 |
| Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association | 12,913 |
| Seacoast Big Brother/Big Sister | 1,088 |
| A Safe Place | 1,000 |
| Sexual Assault Support Services (Womens Resource) | 675 |
| Rockingham county Nutrition Program | 1,938 |
| Retired Seniors Volunteer Program | 600 |
| AIDS Response to the Seacoast | 1,000 |
| Seacoast Hospice | 2,350 |
| Richie McFarland Children Center | 2,000 |
| Total | \$58,634 |

Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to reshingle the exterior of the old Library. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the reshingling is completed or in two years, whichever is less. **Requested by the Library Trustees. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-four hundred dollars (\$2,400) for the purpose of purchasing four (4) sets of granite posts for the Raymond Gateway signs. **Submitted by Petition. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$2,750) for the Richie McFarland Childrens Center. **Submitted by Petition. Not Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.**
17. To see if the Town will establish a committee to composed of ten (10) individuals for the purpose of establishing and proposing a Capital Improvements Plan by December 31, 1998. Said plan is to be printed in the 1998 Town Report and to be considered for adoption at the 1999 Town Meeting. The committee is to be composed of the following: 3 member of the Planning Board, 2 members of the Board of Selectmen, 2 member of the School Board, 2 members of the Budget Committee, and the Town Manager.
18. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of land from Sally L. Paradis & George H. Guptill, Jr., a 3.0706 acres parcel located on Route 27, Map 21 Lot 24. Further that the land to be used for recreational purposes, that all cost in connection with this transfer be borne by

the Town of Raymond, and that the Town recognize that this gift is given in memory of Dr. George H. Guphill.

19. Shall we abandon Maple Lane. **Submitted by Petition.**
20. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF RAYMOND N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998 or
for Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date FEBRUARY 18, 1998

Peter W. Buckle

Harold R. Wood, Jr.

Laundon Lee Ellis

Gloria E. Gagne

Richardson Hoche

Robert R. McFarlane

David A. Wood

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	Executive	3	38,155	38,633.44	39,550		39,550	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	3	15,990	15,525.47	70,646		70,646	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	3	247,020	241,029.13	188,964		188,964	
4152	Revaluation of Property	3	250,720	247,007.40	22,600		22,600	
4153	Legal Expense	3	50,000	44,636.50	40,000		40,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	3	311,659	305,587.52	371,400		371,400	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	3	55,029	57,759.65	41,773		41,773	
4194	General Government Buildings	3	75,137	76,163.66	96,050		92,050	4,000
4195	Cemeteries	3	24,863	19,697.26	27,200		27,200	
4196	Insurance	3	62,600	56,119.00	62,000		62,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	3	5,710	5,710.00	8,980		8,980	
4199	Other General Government							
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	Police	3	515,522	493,925.99	597,370		587,370	10,000
4215-4219	Ambulance	3	31,975	31,975.00	41,905		41,905	
4220-4229	Fire	3	211,499	215,222.18	232,425		226,425	6,000
4240-4249	Building Inspection	3	42,069	37,964.55	44,950		44,950	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	3	1,000	663.13	900		900	
4299	Other Public Safety (including Communications)	3	147,179	146,313.64	157,150		157,150	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER								
4301-4309	Airport Operations							

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
HIGHWAYS & STREETS								
4311-4312	Admin., Highway & Streets	3	584,219	540,924.84	502,488		492,488	10,000
4313	Bridges							
4316	Street Lighting	3	19,000	20,936.68	24,500		24,500	
4319	Other							
SANITATION								
4321-4323	Admin. & Solid Waste Collection	3	317,720	332,467.21	350,000		350,000	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	3	72,691	41,060.48	45,132		45,132	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331-4332	Admin. & Water Services	3	209,485	194,248.19	228,738		228,738	
4335-4339	Water Treatment,Hydrant Conservation & Other	3	7,000	7,000.00	7,000		7,000	
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin. & Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maint.							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH AND WELFARE								
4411-4414	Admin. & Pest Control	3	10,100	17,219.44	14,340		14,340	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	13	58,634	58,634.00	58,634		58,634	
4441-4442	Admin. & Direct Assistance	3	65,000	53,972.43	65,000		65,000	

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 3213,V)	Warr Art#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	3	178,315	184,994.96	215,409		205,409	10,000
4550-4559	Library	3	98,485	98,485.00	105,631		105,631	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	3	1,700	2,014.16	2,700		2,700	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	3	250	70.00	250		250	
CONSERVATION								
4611-4612	Administration & Purchase of Natural Resources							
4619	Other Conservation	3	1,400	1,570.54	3,050		3,050	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING	3	350,000	-0-	350,000		350,000	
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	75,000	75,000.00	75,000		75,000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	3	60,047	60,046.26	55,432		55,432	
4723	Interest on TANS	3	30,600	19,371.67	20,000		20,000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DEA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings							
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-							
	Water-							
	Electric-							
	Airport-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	6			50,000		50,000	
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maintenance Trust Fund)				55,000		55,000	
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
SUBTOTAL 1					4,272,167		4,232,167	40,000

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct.#	Warr. Art.#	Amount	Acct.#	Warr. Art.#	Amount
4916	4	50,000			
	5	5,000			

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Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriating to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

...INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES**

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE Ensuing Year
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		5,000	2,000.00	2,000.00
3180	Resident Taxes		65,000	67,560.00	67,560.00
3180	Yield Taxes		13,000	14,520.00	14,000.00
3180	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes BOAT TAXES		3,000	2,735.88	3,000.00
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		230,000	230,500.00	232,500.00
	Inventory Penalties				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		24,000	27,429.33	27,000.00
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		700,000	858,387.50	850,000.00
3230	Building Permits		25,000	19,704.65	24,000.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		35,000	24,219.33	40,000.00
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		55,196	52,991.00	72,136.00
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues		135,000	117,343.76	117,343.00
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution				
3353	Highway Block Grant		137,000	156,469.58	157,080.00
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development		350,000	350,000.00	350,000.00
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments		109,700	151,902.77	167,825.00
3409	Other Charges		22,000	22,000.00	50,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		13,000	34,700.87	20,000.00
3502	Interest on Investments		45,000	75,998.25	70,000.00
3503-3509	Other				
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				

Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)		209,893	209,485.00	228,738.00
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		5,000	5,000.00	7,500.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
Amounts VOTED From Fund Balance ("Surplus")					
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes					
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS			2,178,789	2,489,512.92	2,563,682.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

	SELECTMEN	BUDGET COMMITTEE
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 4)	4,272,167	4,232,167
SUBTOTAL 2 Special warrant articles Recommended (page 5))	275,507	222,507
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" warrant articles Recommended (page 5)	52,400	52,400
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	4,600,074	4,507,074
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	2,563,682	2,563,682
Estimated Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	2,036,392	1,943,392

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OFFICERS OF THE RAYMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT

For The 1997-98 School Year

MODERATOR

Marian Lovejoy

CLERK

Linda J. Hoelzel

TREASURER

Joan S. Gonser

SCHOOL BOARD

Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, Chairman
Daniel F. Chouinard, Vice Chairman
Sandra Lee Ellis
Paul R. Paquette, Secretary
John T. Powers

Term (1997-1998)
Term (1996-1999)
Term (1997-2000)
Term (1997-2000)
Term (1997-1998)

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Cheryl A. Stratchko

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dr. Robert W. Retchless

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

School Administrative Unit #33
43 Harriman Hill Road
Raymond, New Hampshire 03077
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Raymond School District Meeting

March 8, 1997

The Raymond School District Meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. in the Community Gymnasium of the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School by the moderator pro tempore, Linda Hoelzel.

Linda Hoelzel, who is the School District Clerk, explained that due to a vacancy in the position of moderator, under RSA 671:33, the school district clerk serves as moderator until a moderator is chosen by vote at a School Meeting or School Election.

After opening the meeting, Linda Hoelzel, turned the meeting over to Assistant Moderator Kathleen Hoelzel, whom she had appointed as the moderator for this meeting. Linda Hoelzel served as the School District Clerk for this meeting.

At 10:06 a.m., the moderator, Kathleen Hoelzel, read the School District Warrant. the moderator led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance and the national anthem was placed.

Ballot Clerks

Elayne Clark
Assunta Ege
Ramona Stevens
Joan King
Elizabeth Wynne

Frances Carlberg
Kathleen Stockley
Anthony Spinnazola
Gayle McMullen

Assistant Moderators:

Timothy Louis
Marian Lovejoy

The moderator introduced chairperson Elizabeth O'Donnell, who introduced the school district officials, legal counsel, and the student member of the school board. Peter Buckingham, chairman of the Budget Committee, introduced the members of the Budget Committee.

Method of Voting: Articles that were not voted on by secret ballot were to be voted upon by raising "blue" colored voting cards with the letter "I" printed on them, unless declared otherwise by the moderator. The moderator stated that a secret ballot could

be requested by any five (5) registered voters prior to a vote; or seven (7) registered voters after a vote if they dispute the vote. All names must be handed to the moderator on a slip of paper.

The moderator then read the rules of the meeting: There will be a motion and second on the floor before any discussion starts. All persons wishing to speak must come to the microphone, show their voting card and state their name. No person may speak until recognized by the moderator. All questions/discussion will be directed to the moderator and the moderator will seek answers from the appropriate persons. All discussion must be relevant to the motion on the floor at the time. Any person who attempts to disrupt the meeting will be removed. Profanity or personal attacks will not be allowed. If the question is moved, any voter who is already at the microphone waiting to speak will have the opportunity to speak before the vote takes place. All amendments must be presented to the moderator in writing. Only one amendment will be allowed at a time and that amendment will be voted upon before another is accepted. The person making a motion will have the first opportunity to speak. Procedural questions will be acknowledged by the moderator when a citizen asks for a "point of order". A point of order will take precedence. The moderator can be overruled by a majority vote of those present.

Article I

Motion: By Edward French, duly seconded by Elizabeth O'Donnell to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,462,750.00 (One Million, Four Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars) for the construction of an addition to Raymond High School, and renovations to Raymond High School, and for the purchase of furnishings and equipment in connection therewith; to see whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing under the Municipal Finance Act or otherwise, and to authorize the School Board to take any and all actions necessary to carry out any vote hereunder, or to take any other action relative thereto.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Maryann Austrew, duly seconded by Lisa Frisella to move the question.

Voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to move the question.

The assembly voted on "white" bond issue ballots with "yes" and "no" printed on them for Article I.

The ballot box was opened, declared empty and re-locked.

The moderator stated that the polls would be open for one hour.

The moderator declared the polls open at 11:29 a.m.

The moderator declared the polls closed at 12:29 p.m.

Total Ballots Cast: 387

Yes: 262

No: 125

Article 1 needed to pass by a two-thirds majority vote.

Article 1 was voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

During the voting, a motion was made by Daniel Chouinard, duly seconded by Sandra Ellis to pass over Articles 2, 3, and 4 until the result of Article 1 was announced.

Motion to pass over Articles 2, 3, and 4 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

After the result of Article 1 was announced, Articles 2, 3, and 4 were voted as follows:

Article 2

To see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$282,100.00 (Two hundred Eighty-two Thousand, One Hundred Dollars) for the installation of a sprinkler system for Raymond High School, to see whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing under the Municipal Finance Act or otherwise, and to authorize the School Board to take any and all actions necessary to carry out any vote hereunder, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Motion: By Edward French, duly seconded by Daniel Chouinard to table Article 2.

Voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to table Article 2.

At this time, there was a motion made by Sherry Brox, duly seconded by Sidney Madore to restrict reconsideration on Article 1.

Voted by a show of cards to restrict reconsideration on Article 1. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 3

Motion: By Edward French, duly seconded by Daniel Chouinard to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$47,174.00 (Forty-seven Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars) to meet the first year interest payment on the bond issue of Article 1.

Article 3 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 4

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,097.13 (Nine Thousand, Ninety-seven Dollars and Thirteen Cents) to meet the first year interest payment on the bond issue of Article 2.

Motion: By Edward French, duly seconded by Daniel Chouinard to table Article 4.

Motion to table Article 4 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 5

Motion: By Sandra Ellis, duly seconded by Daniel Chouinard to hear the report of the auditors and pass any vote relating thereto.

Voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 6

Motion: By Edward French, duly seconded by Elizabeth O'Donnell to see if the District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Raymond School District and the Raymond Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>YEARS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1997-1998	\$196,926.00
1998-1999	\$214,316.00
1999-2000	\$225,217.00

and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$196,926.00 (One Hundred ninety-six Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty-six Dollars) for the 1997-98 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior fiscal year.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Donald Begg, duly seconded by Lisa Frisella to move the question.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to move the question.

Article 6 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 7

Motion: By Sandra Ellis, duly seconded by Daniel Chouinard to see if the District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached

between the Raymond School District and the Raymond Education Support Staff, AFT, AFL-CIO which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1997-1998	\$ 36,772.51
1998-1999	\$ 37,715.00
1999-2000	\$ 38,982.00

and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,772.51 (Thirty-six Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-two Dollars and fifty-one Cents) for the 1997-98 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior fiscal year.

Article 7 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 8

Motion: By Daniel Chouinard, duly seconded by Sandra Ellis to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,020.00 (Twenty-one Thousand, Twenty Dollars) for installation of a sprinkler system for the existing modular classrooms located at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Lisa Frisella, duly seconded by Donald Begg to move the question.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to move the question.

Article 8 voted by a show of cards which were counted.

Yes: 107

No: 95

Article 8 voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 9

Motion: By Elizabeth O'Donnell, duly seconded by Daniel Chouinard to see if the District will raise and appropriate from surplus, up to \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the Expendable Trust Fund known as the Technology Fund, and to authorize the use/transfer of up to 50% of the June 30, 1997 fund balance for this purpose. (The amount to be placed in the fund will be the lesser of either \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars or 50% of the June 30, 1997 fund balance.)

Article 9 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 10

Motion: By Daniel Chouinard, duly seconded by Edward French to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) and place it in the Capital Reserve fund for the renovation of existing buildings and the construction of additional school buildings.

During discussion, the School Board noted that they wanted the \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be put in the Capital Reserve Fund because they know that the fire escape at the Middle School will need to be repaired sometime in the near future. The money would have to be taken out of the Capital Reserve Fund to fix the fire escape at another School District Meeting in the future. It would have to be in the form of a warrant article.

Motion to amend Article 10-Amendment 1.

Motion: By Lisa Frisella, duly seconded by Kevin Pratt to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, from surplus, the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) and place it in the Capital Reserve Fund for the renovation of existing buildings and the construction of additional school buildings.

Motion to amend Article 10-Amendment 1 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the **NEGATIVE**.

Motion to amend Article 10-Amendment 2.

Motion: By Neil Wiggin, duly seconded by Harold Wood to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) from surplus, from the 1996-97 budget, for the renovation of existing buildings, specifically, repair the fire escape at the Middle School.

After some discussion, both Mr. Wiggin and Mr. Wood withdrew their motion.

Motion: By Harold Wood, duly seconded by Gary MacLean to move the question.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. Voted in the **AFFIRMATIVE** to move the question.

Article 10 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the **NEGATIVE**.

Article 11

Motion: By Sandra Ellis, duly seconded by Daniel Chouinard to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 (Thirty-five Thousand Dollars) for roof repairs at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School.

Article 11 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 12

Motion: By Elizabeth O'Donnell, duly seconded by Sandra Ellis to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,260,676.00 (Eleven Million Two Hundred Sixty Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries and benefits for School District officials and agents other than money appropriated under previous warrant articles and for the payment of statutory obligations of the School District.

Motion to amend Article 12-amendment 1.

Motion: By Peter Buckingham, duly seconded by Richard Ladd, Jr. to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,954,113.00 (Ten Million, Nine Hundred Fifty-four Thousand, One Hundred Thirteen Dollars) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries and benefits for School District officials and agents other than money appropriated under previous warrant articles and for the payment of statutory obligations of the School District.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Lisa Frisella, duly seconded by Gary MacLean to move the question.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to move the question.

Amendment to Article 12-Amendment 1 voted by a show of cards which were counted.

Yes: 69 No: 106

Amendment to Article 12-Amendment 1 voted in the NEGATIVE.

Motion to amend Article 12-Amendment 2.

Motion: By Sally Paradis, duly seconded by Gary MacLean to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,964,113.00 (Ten Million, Nine Hundred Sixty-four Thousand, One Hundred Thirteen Dollars) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries and benefits for School District officials and agents other than money appropriated under previous warrant articles and for the payment of statutory obligations of the School District.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Colleen Coates, duly seconded by Donald Begg to move the question.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to

move the question.

Motion to amend Article 12-Amendment 2 voted by a show of cards which were counted.

Yes: 65 No: 107

Amendment to Article 12-Amendment 2 voted in the NEGATIVE.

Motion to amend Article 12-Amendment 3.

Motion: by Sally Paradis, duly seconded by Harold Wood to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,064,113.00 (Eleven Million, Sixty-four Thousand, One Hundred Thirteen Dollars) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries and benefits for School District officials and agents other than money appropriated under previous warrant articles and for the payment of statutory obligations of the School District.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Colleen Coates, duly seconded by Sherry Brox to move the question.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to move the question.

Motion to amend Article 12-Amendment 3 voted by a show of cards which were counted.

Yes: 94 No: 78

Motion to amend Article 12-Amendment 3 voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Motion: By Donald Begg, duly seconded by Patricia Popieniek to move the question on Article 12-Amendment 3.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to move the questions.

The assembly then voted on Article 12 as amended by Amendment 3.

Article 12-Amendment 3 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 13

Motion: By Lorrie O'Connor, duly seconded by Norman Weldy to hear the report of the School Administrative Planning Committee and pass any vote relating thereto.

The report of the School Administrative Planning Committee was read by Lorrie O'Connor. The conclusion of this Committee was that the SAU should continue as a single-district school administrative unit. A copy of their report is attached at the end of these minutes.

Article 13 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE to accept the report of the School Administrative Planning Committee.

Article 14

Motion: By Elizabeth O'Donnell, duly seconded by Edward French to see if the District will vote to request the School Board to adopt an investment policy, for the investment of public funds, in conformance with the provisions of applicable statutes.

After some discussion, a motion was made to move the question, seconded by Lisa Frisella.

Motion to move the question voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 14 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 15

Motion: By Alan Orff, duly seconded by William Hurd that we the following registered voters of Raymond, NH request an article for an Official Ballot Form (SB2) School District Meeting. (This article was submitted by petition of 25 registered voters.)

After a short discussion on Article 15, it was voted by a show of cards to close the discussion on Article 15.

Article 16

Motion: By Gloria Carney, duly seconded by Norman Weldy to see if the School District will vote to publish all school employee salaries, included should be employees in administration, teachers, janitorial, secretarial, food service workers and any other person receiving a payroll check. Broken down by name and total annual earnings.

Article 16 voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

Article 17

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Motion: By Lisa Frisella, duly seconded by Norman Weldy to create a committee consisting of public members, parents, teachers, and administrators to research a

system on how to implement merit pay for the teachers.

Voted by a show of cards. Voted in the AFFIRMATIVE.

During the break for the vote on Article 1, the assembly discussed moving the School and Town Annual Meetings to the high school for future meetings. After some discussion a non-binding vote of those assembled was taken.

Those voting to move the meetings to the high school - 54

Those voting to keep the meetings at the middle school - 157

Motion: By Timothy Louis, duly seconded by Michael Bergeon to adjourn the meeting.

Voted by those present to adjourn.

The moderator declared the Raymond School District Meeting of March 8, 1997, adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Hoelzel
School District Clerk

A true copy of the minutes of the Raymond School District Meeting of March 8, 1997.

Attest: Linda Hoelzel
School District clerk

Raymond School District Election

March 11, 1997

The Raymond School District Election was called to order in the Community Gymnasium of the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School by the town moderator, Andrew Harmon.

Ballot Clerks :

Elayne Clark	Kathleen Stockely
Caroline Severance	Dawn Cripe
Anthony Spinnazola	Darlene Doyle
Frances Spinnazola	Joan King
Beverly Beckford	Ramona Stevens
Assunta Ege	Gayle McMullen
Kimberly Binette	Jayne Anzalone
Cheryl Solari	Bette Patterson

The moderator declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m.

Absentee ballots were processed at 2:30 p.m.

The polls were declared closed at 7:00 p.m.

Total Number of Regular Ballots Cast:	952
Total Number of Absentee Ballots Cast:	11
Total Number of Ballots Cast:	963

The results of the election:

<u>School Board for one (1) year:</u>	Vote for two (2)
*Elizabeth M. O'Donnell	561 votes
*John T. Powers, Jr.	466 votes
"Bill" Kelley	361 votes
Jonathan G. McCosh	158 votes

Write-ins for one year:

Ed French	3 votes
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Judith McDermott	3 votes
Paul Paquette	2 votes

There were twelve persons receiving one vote each.

School Board for three (3) years: Vote for two (2)

*Paul R. Paquette	619 votes
*Sandra Lee Ellis	592 votes
"Dan" W. Donovan	386 votes

Write-ins for three years:

Bill Kelley	8 votes
Ed French	2 votes
Rick Nadeau	2 votes

There were eleven persons receiving one vote each.

School District Clerk for Three (3) years: Vote for one (1)

*Linda J. Hoelzel	801 votes
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There were nine persons receiving one vote each.

School District Moderator for three (3) years: Vote for one (1)

*Marian E. Lovejoy	779 votes
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Write-ins for School District Moderator:

Kathleen Hoelzel	11 votes
Ed French	3 votes

There were eleven persons receiving one vote each.

School District Treasurer for three (3) years: Vote for one (1)

*Joan S. Gonser	737 votes
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Write-ins for School District Treasurer:

David Howard	3 votes
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There were five persons receiving one vote each.

Results of the question item on the ballot:

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the School District?

*Yes 552 No: 340

This question needed to pass by 60% of the total yes and no vote.

The School District Election of March 11, 1997 was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda J. Hoelzel
School District Clerk

A true copy of the Raymond School District Election of March 11, 1997.

Attest:

Linda J. Hoelzel
School District Clerk

1997 S.A.U. Planning Committee

MEMBERSHIP: Sandra L. Ellis, Richard W. Ladd, Ann M. Lagasse, Timothy T. Louis, Lorrie O'Connor, Cheryl Stratchko, Norman Weldy

The Raymond SAU Planning committee, as established by warrant article at the March 9, 1996 Annual School District Meeting, began meeting on June 10, 1996. We began by reviewing HB 1610, referred to in the warrant article. For the most part, HB 1610 addresses the procedures for a school district to withdraw from a multi-district SAU and therefore provided us limited guidance for this review. House Bill 1610 does spell out the "Superintendent Services" each SAU must provide (194-C:4). What was changed by this bill is that it spells out the services that must be provided and now gives school districts choices about how to provide those services. Section 194-C:5, II states "School districts shall not be required to have a superintendent and may assign these services to one or more administrative personnel working full or part-time or such services may be independently contracted."

House Bill 1610 begins by defining what a School Administrative unit is. "School administrative units shall be corporations, with power to sue and be sued, to hold and dispose of real and personal property for the establishment of facilities for administration and any instructional purposes, and to make necessary contracts." The task of an SAU is not direct services to students, but the management of the business of the school district. The SAU must see that the school district complies with all state and federal regulations and must collect information and file reports documenting that it is being done. These regulations cover everything associated with the business of education including financial, personnel and curriculum issues, as well as Special Education and student assessment, legal, health and safety issues, discipline and the functioning of the school board. Every new state and federal regulation adds to the duties of the SAU.

To study the effectiveness of our SAU in providing these services we outlined several tasks for ourselves. One task was to review the dollar costs of the SAU from several perspectives:

1. We examined how cost has changed from 1986--1996 in relation to the growth of the student population.
 - a. From information provided to us from the Superintendent 1986 SAU costs were approximately \$110,000 which was 2.5% of the total school budget. Enrollment in 1985 was 1,245 students.
 - b. SAU costs in 1996 were approximately \$278,000 which was 2.7% of the

total school budget. Enrollment in 1996 is 1,944 students, representing an increase of 56.1%.

- c. This is an increase of 2/10ths of a percent over ten years.
2. Another item explored was the comparison of Raymond's costs with other single-district SAUs, specifically those with a high school.
 - a. We initially reviewed information provided by the NH Department of Education Services which listed SAU Core Costs and Total Expenditures for each SAU office.
 - b. Core costs are those expenses necessary to provide SAU services. The difficulty encountered with the information was that SAUs may include a variety of costs that are not directly related to the operation of the SAU resulting in inconsistent reporting.

For example, if the Special Education Director is housed in the SAU office, their salaries may be included in the SAU costs, whereas another District would not include these figures.
 - c. To overcome this difficulty we discussed developing our own survey to be mailed to other single-district SAUs asking about their specific core costs. But, we determined that even if we were provided this information, we were unsure how to make a judgment as to how the core costs were actually affected.
 3. We also discussed the idea of joining a multi-district SAU. The major point discussed was the idea that we would lose local control of our school district and it would not guarantee lower costs.
 4. A new option provided by H.B. 1610 is to allow the operation of an SAU by contracted services. When we looked into it, we learned that there are no districts in New Hampshire currently contracting for services. Because there are no examples to follow, there was not way for us to compare costs.
 5. The SAU employees and school principals gave presentations to our committee on the range of their duties and responsibilities for the position they hold. Open discussed followed on the scope of their responsibilities.

Based on our study, it is the conclusion of this committee that the SAU should continue as a single-district school administrative unit.

We thank the citizens of Raymond for allowing this committee to be formed to review the function of the SAU.

PLODZIK & SANDERSON

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the School Board
Raymond School District
Raymond, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Raymond School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 1997 as listed in the table of contents. (Table of Contents from full Auditors Report 9/4/97) These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Raymond School District has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Raymond School District, as of June 30, 1997, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 4, 1997, on our consideration of the Raymond School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

financial statements of Raymond School District taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Raymond School District. The accompanying Single Audit related schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. All such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

September 4, 1997

Raymond School District

Schedule of Receipts & Disbursements

For the Year 07/01/96 Through 06/30/97

Cash Balance 06/30/96:			\$368,868.76
Receipts 7/1/96-6/30/97:			
Accounts Receivable from 95-96		56,123.66	
Transfer of Balances/Old Fund Accounts		203.75	
State Revenues:			
Driver Ed Aid	\$9,750.00		
Foundation Aid	2,035,902.73		
Building Aid	157,420.16		
Chapter I	38,735.40		
Catastrophic Aid	71,833.09		
Drug Free Program	14,600.00		
Special Ed Aid	62,308.89		
Medicaid	52,321.40		
DDEA	20,000.00		
STW	2,300.00		
Title I	22,200.00		
Title II	8,912.00		
Title IV	7,900.00	2,504,183.67	
Tuition Revenues/Reimbursements:			
Regular Tuition Income	\$39,418.97		
Sp. Ed. Tuition Income	14,053.04		
Voc Ed. Tuition Reimb.	2,462.31		
Preschool Tuitions	6,600.00		
Misc. Tuition Reimb.	4,544.35	67,078.67	
Grants - WalMart		8,300.00	
Tax Appropriation		7,346,462.00	
Community Service Income		143.92	
Rental Fees		200.00	
Interest Earned & Acct. Adjustments		13,554.96	
Employee Health Ins. Reimbursements		7,213.01	
Other Local Income		3,356.15	
Lunch Program Payroll Reimbursements		198,557.25	
Other Miscellaneous Payroll Reimbursements		1,936.52	
Reimbursement from Bond Fund		29,595.00	
Other Expenditure Reimbursement/Refunds		4,705.42	
Total Revenue & Receipts to 6/30/97:			10,241,613.98
Less School Board Orders Paid Out:			10,332,329.37
CASH ON HAND JUNE 30, 1997:			\$278,153.37

Raymond School District

Food Service Receipts & Disbursements For the Year 07/01/96 Through 06/30/97

Cash Balance 06/30/96:		\$76,351.14
Receipts 7/1/96-6/30/97:		
Accounts Receivable for 95-96	14,521.21	
Lunch Sales	312,564.65	
Federal & State Aid	179,876.00	
Refunds/Reimbursements	2,226.81	
Other Income	132.80	
Interest Earned	3,421.77	
Total Revenue & Receipts to 6/30/97:		512,743.24
Less School Board Orders Paid Out:		499,196.44
CASH ON HAND JUNE 30, 1997:		\$89,897.94

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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Concord, NH 03302-1122
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BUDGET FORM FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF Raymond N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for Fiscal Year From

July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list **ALL APPROPRIATIONS** in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school district clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date January 25, 1998

Peter Duckigan

Kathleen M. Huelgel

Thomas E. Carney

Richard W. Hall

David R. Wood Jr.

Harold R. Wood Jr.

Harold R. Wood Jr.

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Budget of the School District of Raymond, NH MS-27

Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art. #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/96 To 6/30/97	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
	INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)							
1100-1199 Regular Programs			\$4,888,342.32	\$5,284,368.88	\$5,769,760.84		\$5,531,368.00	\$238,392.84
1200-1299 Special Programs			\$1,218,104.99	\$1,437,641.12	\$1,714,713.37		\$1,437,641.12	\$277,072.25
1300-1399 Vocational Programs			\$57,534.03	\$84,235.00	\$84,235.00		\$84,234.00	\$1.00
1400-1499 Other Instructional Programs			\$80,493.14	\$83,794.00	\$92,143.00		\$83,794.00	\$8,349.00
1600-1699 Adult/Continuing Education								
	SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)							
Pupil Services								
2110-2119 Attendance & Social Work					\$7,400.00		\$0.00	\$7,400.00
2120-2129 Guidance			\$191,395.67	\$202,019.12	\$197,762.86		\$197,762.86	
2130-2139 Health			\$63,769.35	\$70,113.00	\$73,890.00		\$70,113.00	\$3,777.00
2140-2149 Psychological			\$115,321.00	\$120,317.00	\$136,126.00		\$120,317.00	\$15,809.00
2150-2159 Speech Pathology & Audiology			\$121,772.41	\$129,619.92	\$131,414.08		\$129,619.92	\$1,794.16
2190-2199 Other Pupil Services			\$8,024.07	\$11,402.00	\$11,078.00		\$11,078.00	
Instructional Staff Services								
2210-2219 Improvement of Instruction			\$599.00	\$944.00	\$1,150.00		\$900.00	\$250.00
2220-2229 Educational Media			\$198,808.53	\$216,273.53	\$190,093.37		\$190,093.37	
2290-2299 Other Instructional Staff Services								
General Administration								
2310 School Board								

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Budget of the School District of Raymond, NH MS-27

Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 33:3V)	Warr. Art. #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/96 To 6/30/97	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
2310-870	Contingency							
2310-2319	All Other Objects		\$43,205.19	\$56,702.00	\$60,201.00		\$56,702.00	\$3,499.00
	Office of Superintendent							
2320-351	SAU Mgmt. Services							
2320-2329	All Other Objects		\$212,920.98	\$221,494.13	\$249,685.13		\$221,494.13	\$28,191.00
2330-2339	Special Area Administration Services		\$70,583.17	\$72,517.60	\$73,255.76		\$72,517.60	\$738.16
2390-2399	Other General Administration Services		\$6,581.59	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00		\$7,000.00	\$1,000.00
2400-2499	School Administrative Services		\$612,835.22	\$663,800.70	\$678,619.65		\$663,800.70	\$14,818.95
	Business Services							
2520-2529	Fiscal		\$54,993.77	\$56,241.67	\$56,530.29		\$56,241.67	\$288.62
2540-2549	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		\$763,641.40	\$857,557.18	\$1,023,896.24		\$845,886.89	\$178,009.35
2550-2559	Pupl Transportation		\$481,831.11	\$478,116.00	\$495,836.00		\$495,836.00	
2570-2579	Procurement							
2590-2599	Other Business Services							
2600-2699	Managerial Services						\$1,464.00	
2900-2999	Other Support Services		\$1,712.81	\$11,464.00	\$1,464.00			
3000-3999	COMMUNITY SERVICES		\$10,593.79	\$11,650.00	\$11,824.00		\$11,000.00	\$824.00
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION		\$12.00	\$2.00	\$2.00		\$2.00	
	OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)							
5100-830	Debt Service - Principal		\$463,000.00	\$458,000.00	\$605,750.00		\$605,750.00	

Budget of the School District of Raymond, NH MS-27

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

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Budget of the School District of Raymond, NH MS-27 **SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES**

Special warrant articles as defined in RSA 32:3, VI, are 1) petitioned warrant articles; 2) an article who's appropriation is raised by bonds or notes; 3) an article which calls for an appropriation to a separated fund created pursuant to Law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; and 4) any article designated on the warrant as a special article.

Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warr. Art. #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/96 To 6/30/97	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
2542	Modular Classroom IHGMS	1			\$43,676.00		\$43,676.00	
1100	Technology	2	\$49,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00			\$50,000.00
2542	Roof Repairs - IHGMS	3		\$35,000.00	\$33,900.00		\$33,900.00	
4300	Architectural Plans & Review	5			\$25,000.00			\$25,000.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended					\$152,576.00		\$77,576.00	

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Individual warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) contingency appropriations; 3) supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; for 4) deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warr. Art. #	Expenditures For Year 7/1/96 To 6/30/97	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended								

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE OR CREDIT	Warr. Art. #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE for Ending Fiscal Year School Board	ESTIMATED REVENUE for Ending Fiscal Year Budget Commte.
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES						
3110	Foundation Aid		\$2,035,902.73	\$2,337,663.73	\$2,010,235.46	\$2,010,235.46
3210	School Building Aid		\$157,420.16	\$155,920.00	\$200,245.16	\$200,245.16
3220	Area Vocational School		\$14,757.12	\$19,000.00	\$20,500.00	\$20,500.00
3230	Driver Education		\$13,350.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
3240	Catastrophic Aid		\$93,795.00	\$83,169.00	\$83,169.00	\$83,169.00
3250	Adult Education					
	Child Nutrition		\$9,489.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
	Kindergarten Aid					
	Other State Aid (Specify)					
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES						
4410	IASA, Title I & II		\$79,100.00	\$91,197.14	\$69,852.00	\$69,852.00
4430	Vocational Education					
4450	Adult Education					
4460	Child Nutrition Programs		\$165,857.00	\$184,064.00	\$170,346.00	\$170,346.00
4470	Handicapped Programs		\$62,300.00	\$119,915.00	\$119,915.00	\$119,915.00
	Federal Forest Land					
	Other Federal Sources (Identify) STW & Goals 2000			\$123,852.00	\$67,085.00	\$67,085.00
	Medicaid		\$52,500.00	\$35,000.00	\$40,678.00	\$40,678.00
	Title VI & Title IV		\$7,900.00	\$43,152.68	\$22,122.00	\$22,122.00
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES						
5100	Sale of Bonds or Notes			\$1,462,750.00		
5230	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund					
5250	Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund					
5255	Transfer from Expendable Trust Fund					
1300-1360	Tuition		\$56,925.93	\$35,620.00	\$25,620.00	\$25,620.00
1400-1443	Transportation Fees					
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		\$13,554.91	\$16,000.00	\$13,500.00	\$13,500.00
1600	Food Service		\$315,286.67	\$347,058.00	\$367,680.64	\$367,680.64
1700-1799	Public Activities					

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Budget of the School District of Raymond, NH MS-27

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE OR CREDIT	Warr. Art. 2	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE for Ensuing Fiscal Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE for Ensuing Fiscal Year
1900	Community Services Activities		\$92.50	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1900-1999	Other Local Sources					
	Rental Income/Cobra Fees/Misc.		\$3,301.72			
	Wal-Mart Donation		\$8,300.00			
	Summer School			\$2,500.00	\$1,000.00	
	THIS SECTION FOR CALCULATION OF REIMBURSEMENT					
	ANTICIPATION NOTES (RAN) PER RSA 189:20-D FOR					
	CATASTROPHIC AID BORROWING					
	RAN REVENUE THIS FY LESS					
	RAN REVENUE LAST FY =					
	NET RAN					
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)					
	Appropriations Voted from Fund Balance			\$50,000.00		
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$293,210.41	\$157,730.57	\$165,024.00	\$115,024.00
	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		\$3,403,643.15	\$5,285,592.12	\$3,397,972.26	\$3,346,972.26

** BUDGET SUMMARY **

	School Board's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 3)	\$12,674,488.33	\$11,894,274.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special warrant articles Recommended (page 4)	\$152,576.00	\$77,576.00
SUBTOTAL 3 Individual warrant articles Recommended (Page 4)		
Total Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	\$3,397,972.26	\$3,346,972.26
Estimated Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	\$9,429,092.07	\$8,624,877.74

**RAYMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

FIRST SESSION

**TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF RAYMOND,
NEW HAMPSHIRE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN DISTRICT AFFAIRS:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Gymnasium at the **Iber Holmes Gove Middle School** in said District, on the 31st (Thirty-first) day of **January, 1998, at 10:00 AM in the morning.** This session shall consist of explanation, discussion and deliberation of the warrant articles numbered 1 through 9. The warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion as amended. **Voting Session to act on the following articles will be held Tuesday, March 10, 1998, at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School Gymnasium. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM.**

1.) To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,676 (Forty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars) to purchase the modular classroom unit located at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School. This article is designated a special warrant article. (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

2.) To see if the District will raise and appropriate, from surplus, up to \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the Expendable Trust Fund known as the Technology Fund, and authorize the use/transfer of up to 50% of the June 30, 1998 fund balance for this purpose. (The amount to be placed in the fund will be the lesser of either \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) or 50% of the June 30, 1998 fund balance. (Recommended by the School Board) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)

3.) To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate \$33,900 (Thirty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars) for roof repairs at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School. (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

4.) To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate \$25,000 (Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of additional site review and architectural plans for a new elementary facility to be located on District owned property on Harriman Hill Road. (Recommended by the School Board) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)

5.) To see if the voters of the District will authorize the development of plans to provide for a kindergarten program that will operate within an approved public school in accordance with RSA 198:15. (Recommended by the School Board)

6.) To see if the District will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the School Board, to appoint a deputy treasurer per RSA 197:24-a. (Recommended by the School Board)

7.) To hear the report of the Merit Pay Study Committee and pass any vote relating thereto. Shall we accept the report of the Merit Pay Study Committee?

8.) To hear the report of the Auditors and pass any vote relating thereto Shall we accept the report of the Auditors?

9.) Shall the Raymond School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$12,674,488.33 (Twelve Million Six Hundred Seventy Four Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars and Thirty-Three Cents). Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$12,270,543.29 (Twelve Million Two Hundred Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Raymond School District or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only (Recommended by the School Board) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

NOTE, WARRANT ARTICLE #9 (Operating Budget Article) DOES NOT INCLUDE APPROPRIATIONS PROPOSED UNDER ANY OTHER ARTICLE IN THIS WARRANT.

Please Note: All of the above articles as amended, will be inserted on the "Official Ballot" to be voted on Tuesday, March 10, 1998, at the so-called "Second Session."

THERE WILL BE NO EXPLANATION, DISCUSSION, OR DEBATE ON ANY WARRANT ARTICLE AT THE "SECOND SESSION." AND NO ARTICLE MAY BE AMENDED.

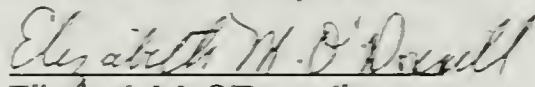
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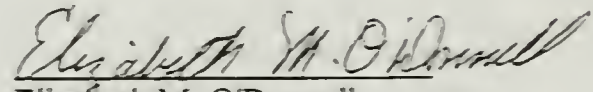
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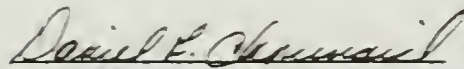
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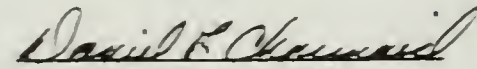
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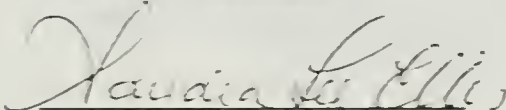
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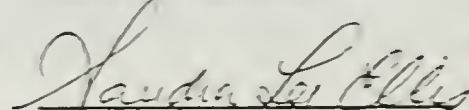
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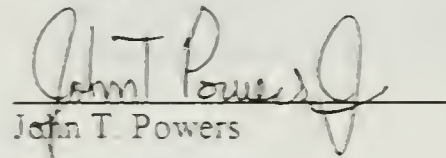
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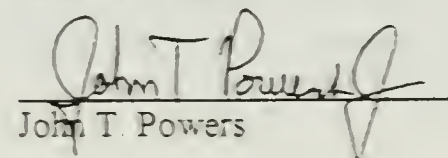
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John T. Powers



John T. Powers

SNOW DATE SATURDAY February 7, 1998

RAYMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHOOL WARRANT

**FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS & TO VOTE ON QUESTIONS
REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE INSERTED ON THE OFFICIAL
BALLOT**

SECOND SESSION

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF RAYMOND,
NEW HAMPSHIRE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN DISTRICT AFFAIRS:

Voters in the Raymond School District are hereby notified to meet at the Community
Gymnasium at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School in said District, on the 10th (Tenth) day of
March, 1998, at Seven O'clock in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose Two School Board Members for a three-year term.
2. To choose One School Board Member for a two-year term.
3. To choose One School District Treasurer for a two year term.
4. To act on all Warrant Articles as amended, including the proposed budget, as a result of
the action of the "FIRST SESSION" held on Saturday, January 31, 1998.

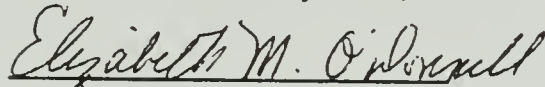
The polls will remain open from Seven O'clock in the morning until Seven O'clock in the
evening.

Given under our hands and seal this 12 day of January, 1998.

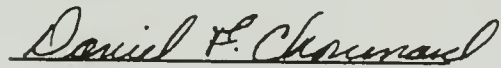
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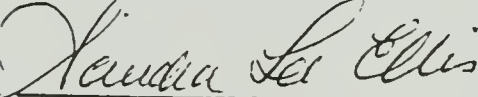
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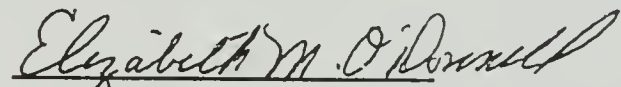


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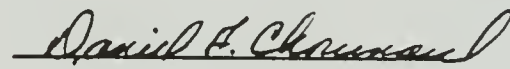


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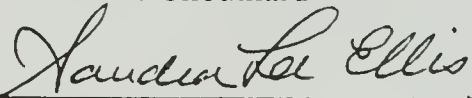
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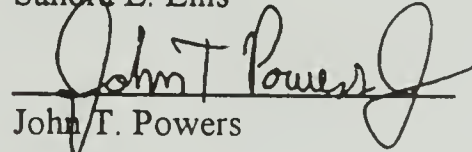
Elizabeth M. O'Donnell
Chairman



Daniel F. Chouinard



Sandra L. Ellis



John T. Powers

Municipal Telephone Numbers

Emergency Numbers

Dispatch Center	.....	895-4222
Police Department (Emergency)	.....	895-4747
(Emergency)	.....	911
(Business)	.....	895-4222
Ambulance (Emergency)	.....	911
(Business)	.....	895-4353
Fire Department (Emergency)	.....	911
(Business)	.....	895-3321
Animal Control	.....	895-4222

Municipal Offices Automated System

(Effective March 1, 1998)

System Entry	.....	895-4735
Extensions: Selectmen's Office	.....	101, 102, or 103
Town Clerk/Tax Office	.....	109, 110, or 111
General Assistance	.....	104
Recreation Department	.....	105, 106, or 118
Highway/Public Works	.....	108
Town Manager	.....	113
Planning Board	.....	115
Building / Health	.....	116
For Rotary Phones	.....	895-4737
Water Department	.....	895-4657
Highway Garage	.....	895-3880
Dudley-Tucker Library	.....	895-2633
Hussey Disposal	.....	1-800-294-1425

Schools

Administrative Offices	.....	895-4299
Lamprey River Elementary	.....	895-3117
Iber Holmes Gove Middle School	.....	895-3394
Raymond High School	895-6616

For School Closings: Tune to WHEB 100.3, WOKQ 97.5, or WZID 95.7



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